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NEW GOODS.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform the citizens of Altoona and surrounding country, that he has just returned from the East, where he has been selecting his stock of

FALL AND WINTER GOODS,

which, for style, quality and price, cannot be surpassed in this neck of country. His stock is much larger than heretofore, and as it is quite an object, in these exciting war times, for every one to purchase where they can get

The Best Goods and at the Lowest Prices,

he would say that he can and will sell as low, if not a little lower than any other house in this place. He wishes all to call and see his stock before purchasing elsewhere, as he feels confident he can offer inducements which will defy competition. His stock consists of

LADIES' DRESS GOODS of every description,
MEN AND BOYS' WINTER WEAR,
LADIES AND MISSES' DRESS SHOES,
MEN AND BOYS' BOOTS AND SHOES,
MEN'S HALF HOSE
WOMEN'S AND MISSES' WOOL HOSE,
HATS AND CAPS,
BLEACHED AND UNBLEACHED MUSLIN,
GINGHAMS AND HEAVY DRILLINGS.

He will sell Ladies Sewed, Heeled Bootees at $1.50@1.75
Kip Pegged ..... 1.87@1.50
Gent's Boots, ... 2.75@3.50
SALMORAL SKIRTS, very low.

GROCERIES.

White and Brown Sugar, Rio Coffees, Syrups, Teas, &c., and everything that is usually kept in a Dry Goods Store, and as cheap as the cheapest. J. A. SPRANKLE.
Altoona, Oct. 7, 1863.

AVOID THE NEXT DRAFT!

THERE IS A PREVAILING EXCITEMENT among the people of Altoona and vicinity about THE SECOND DRAFT—not so much about the Draft as for making the *Three Hundred to pay exemption*. All patriotic! but choose rather to stay at home with their beloved ones, for their support, than to risk their lives in this bloody war. Now, to bring the matter to a close, we will inform the public that by buying their goods at the GREEN STORE, Corner of Branch and Annie street, East Altoona, kept by GEIS & CO., they will

SAVE THE THREE HUNDRED

in a short time. They have just received a large and well selected stock of DRY GOODS AND GROCERIES, which they are selling for Cash at the lowest living prices.

A large assortment of LADIES' COATS AND CIRCULARS, ranging in price from $4.50 to $12.00.

The attention of the public is particularly drawn to the fact that they are selling Brown and White Muslin from 12 to 45 cents; Calicoes from 12½ to 25 cts.; Delaines from 18 to 35 cents per yard.

They have always on hand a large assortment of MEN AND BOYS' CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS, BOOTS, SHOES, and, in fact, everything kept in a first-class Store.
Altoona Oct. 7, 1863.

Victory Won!

THE Subscribers would respectfully announce to the citizens of Altoona and vicinity, that they have just returned from the East with their

FALL AND WINTER STOCK OF

HATS & CAPS,
BOOTS & SHOES.

Their stock of HATS & CAPS have been selected with great care, and with the view of suiting all who may favor them with their patronage. Their line of Boots and Shoes is complete.

Their *LADIES' MISSES' and CHILDREN'S SHOES* are of City make, and warranted. Their Balmoral Shoes for Ladies and Misses, are just the thing for wet weather and saving health.

Thankful to the public for their very liberal patronage heretofore, they hope to merit a continuance of the same. Store on *MAIN ST.* next door to Bowman's Exchange Hotel. SMITH & MANN.
Altoona, May 12, 1863.

SAVE THE PER CENTAGE

BY BUYING YOUR

CLOTHING FROM FIRST HANDS.

ETTINGER & TUCK, Manufacturers of and Wholesale and Retail dealers in Ready-made Clothing, would respectfully invite the attention of the public to the following facts in reference to their stock.

1st. We manufacture our own goods. They are made in our own Store, in Philadelphia, under our immediate supervision, and we know they are well made and can be warranted.

EQUAL TO THE BEST,

and superior to the largest quantity of Ready-made clothing in the market.

2nd. We buy our Cloths directly from the Importers and Manufacturers, consequently we save the per centage put on by middle men.

3rd. We sell our Clothing at a reasonable percentage over the cost of our Cloths, thereby saving the purchasers all Clothing the percentage which must be added by those who buy from second hands to sell again. We retail our Clothing at the same price which other merchants pay for theirs at wholesale, consequently those who buy from us get their goods at the same price which other Clothiers pay for theirs in the city, thereby saving said Clothiers the per centage.

We have branch Stores in

ALTOONA AND JOHNSTOWN,

where goods may be had at the same figures at which we sell them here in the city.

If any person has been told, or imagines, that Tuck's store, in Altoona, is "played out," let such person drop into his establishment, on Main Street, and examine his goods and prices.

Wholesale House, No. 702 Market Street, Philadelphia.
Dec. 2, 1863.—tf.

CITY DRUG STORE.

DR. E. H. REIGART would respectfully announce to the citizens of Altoona and surrounding country, that he has recently purchased the Drug Store of Berlin & Co., on Virginia Street, opposite Irish's Hardware Store.

His Drugs are Fresh and Pure,

and he hopes by strict attention to business, to merit a share of public patronage.

Call and examine his stock. He has constantly on hand,

DRUGS,
MEDICINES and CHEMICALS,
FINE TOILET SOAPS, PERFUMERY, BRUSHES, GLASS, PUTTY, PAINTS, OILS, VARNISHES, CARBON OIL AND LAMPS, NOTIONS, CIGARS,
and every article usually kept in a First-class Drug Store.
PURE WINES AND LIQUORS
for medicinal use.
DOMESTIC GRAPE WINE—PURE—WARRANTED.
PHYSICIANS' PRESCRIPTIONS
accurately compounded, at all hours of the day or night.
Altoona, Sept. 30, 1863.

TEAS! TEAS! TEAS!—FRITCHEY is selling Teas superior to any ever offered in Altoona. They are free of adulteration, coloring, or mixture of any kind.

BOSTON CRACKERS—A LARGE supply of these delicious crackers just received and for sale by FRITCHEY.

HARDWARE OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS just received and for sale by
oct 15-tf J. B. HILEMAN

EXTRA FAMILY FLOUR, FROM the Cove, always on hand and for sale as low as the lowest by FRITCHEY.

NEW STOCK OF BOOTS & SHOES for Men and Boys. Ladies and Misses, just rec'd at LAUGHMAN'

ANOTHER LARGE LOT OF THE CELEBRATED JERSEY HAMS just received and for sale at FRITCHEY'S

ABDOMINAL SUPPORTERS, Trusses and Shoulder Braces for sale at
1-tf. G. W. KESSLER'S.

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Choice Poetry.

A FRAGMENT.

BY HARRY HAREWOOD LEECH.

I listen, but I hear no sounds;
My thoughts are far away.
To me the lights are dull and dead,
I hear no music play

The soft-voiced flute and deep bassoon
Make harmony complete;
But what are mellow sounds to me?
I hear my wild heart beat.

Sweet flowers in the marble hall
Give out their honey breath:
But I am crushing in my hand
A red-rose bud to death.

I smile, and dance, or even sing,
Can it be all a dream?
And is the woman's nature sunk
Into the thing I seem?

The wine is blood, the feasts are bold!
Men are but shadows here,
And every woman's smile to me
But glasses o'er a sneer.

I see a form, I hear a voice—
Its tones are low and sad;
Drown it, ye viols and bassoon,
Or it will drive me mad!

Poor heart! I know I sold your throbs,
Yet do not beat so fast.
One offered love, and one much gold—
O God! I choose, the last!

But I am punished. All my hopes,
So sweet, forever fled,
And doomed like ghosts to walk apart
In places for the dead.

O years! leap back, and let me stand
In my gay girlhood free;
Or, sea, roll o'er the reeking land,
And swallow it and me!

IN DECEMBER, 1863.

The dying years grows old, and wan, and sad;
December holds on high her flickering torch,
And all bright things of beauty, one by one,
Glide out the porch.

All day I hear the people talk of war—
Of movements planned—of battles won and lost.
And see the faces blanched with tears of those
Who knows the cost.

All night I dream of blood, and wounds, and death,—
Of ghastly corpses bleaching on the plain—
Of moans and agony in stifled words—
Of starving men.

And as the days and nights go sadly by,
And only scanty grains of comfort lend,
My inmost soul to thee repeat the cry,
"Where is the end?"

"Have you not drained the chalice to its dregs?
Thou Just, and Merciful, tell us Thy will:
When shall the God who hears the raven's cry,
Bid 'Peace, be still!'"

Select Miscellany.

ALL ABOUT DOCTORS.

BY FANNY FERN.

There be many kinds of doctors—allopathic, homopathic and mongrel. Luckily, every family swears by its own, and believes in no salvation beyond his dictum. There is your exclusive doctor, who believes in a fine house; rides to 'cases,' with a servant in livery; utterly eschews all gutter localities, and never troubles himself to go out when his head aches or in bad weather. His manner of drawing off his gloves is pompous and impressive. Nurse in the corner sinks down into her slippers, utterly quenched by it. While he warms his hands silently at the fire, he is impressing all present with an idea of his immense profoundly. This done, he fixes his eyes on the ceiling and counts his patient's pulse; then comes the tongue examination; after he relapses into another profound contemplation of the ceiling, during which time every tick of the clock seems solemn as fate. Then follows the cabalistic writing, a dead letter to everybody but this Grand Mongal and the apothecary. The gloves are then drawn on, and, bowing to the thin air our elegant Doctor delivers himself again into the care of his liveried servant.

Then there is your old fashioned Doctor, whose patients 'will have him,' though he has wanted gradually to leave off practice for several years, in favor of new aspirants. The cut of his coat is a matter that don't affect his practice. He smiles blandly as the other Doctor, with the liveried servant, drives past, while he trudes independently on foot, and mentally shakes his head at 'new fashions.' He is civil without regard to externals. A baby is a baby to him, whether it comes into the world with a nice wardrobe ready for its back, or the contrary. He is perfectly willing to tell a man who places his stomach in his hands what he is going to put into it, and what he expects it to do to him. He is interested philanthropically, as well as scientifically, in the most minute symptom of the most ordinary patient, who is encouraged by the sympathetic magnetism of his voice and eye to 'tell him just how he feels.' He scribbles no unnecessary recipes for his own benefit or the apothecaries: and speaks so cheerfully when he leaves that the sick man half doubts after all, if anything is the matter with him.

Then there is your young new fledged Doctor, who gives physic as a little boy touches off a fire-cracker, rather uncertain whether it will blow him or his neighbor, or both, sky-high. Then there is your Ladies' Doctor, "the handsome creature," who lifts his eyes with well-acted astonishment that those dear beings can endure a pain, or an ache, and still live; who says just what they want him to, in the way of prescribing 'little journeys' and savory messes; and coaxes all their little troubles over their lips till they are more astonished at themselves than the Doctor is at them.

Then there is your blunt, pop-gun Doctor, who has no time nor inclination for nonsense, and jerks out his opinion as he would a mouthful of tobacco: and if they don't like it, are welcome to move out of the way. Who feels your pulse, and pronounces you a prospective dead man, or woman, as coolly as if the intelligence concerned you no more than himself.

Then there is the eccentric Doctor, who advertises himself by some peculiarity of costume, like knee-breeches, or cocked-hat, or long, flowing hair, and is never better pleased than when everybody is saying: 'Who can that be?'

Then there is your celebrated Surgeon, who has long since bade good-bye to his own nerves, and looks at every man, woman and child with a view to their 'cutting up.' When about to commence an operation before a class of gaping students, mark the gleaming, circling flourish of his pet knife in the air, before descending upon his chloroform-bound victim! The operation properly and deftly performed, his part is done. The Almighty is responsible for the rest.

Finally, and lastly, it is all very nice to laugh at Doctors when one is sound and well; but let a good smart pain come, and none so ready as those who do so to send a telegraphic summons for their speedy appearance. With this substantial proof of their power, let them snap their fingers at criticism and be jolly.

SICK ANIMALS.

It is of vastly more importance to keep animals in health than to cure them when sick. As a general rule animals may be kept in good health by the observance of a few simple rules:

1. Animals should always be fed with regularity both in respect to time and quantity. *Overfeeding* is often the cause of disease.

2. They should always have water as often as required, and that which is *pure*. Horses will not drink of hard, lime or clayey, if they can have access to pure water,

3. Do not *overwork* horses and oxen.—Regular and moderate labor will accomplish more in the year, and keep them in better condition than overworking at one time and resting and overfeeding at another.

4. A sufficient variety should be fed to stock in winter, and not confine them to dry hay or straw and grain. A mess of carrots, turnips or potatoes cut and mixed with ground oats or shorts, is excellent to promote health, and should be given as often as twice a week.

5. Never feed musty and mouldy fodder; but if it must be used, cut it, moisten and sprinkle over with meal, and feed to horned cattle. It should never be given to horses.

6. Always shelter stock in cold storms in all seasons of the year, and never leave a horse, after being driven, to stand in the cold wind without being covered with a good thick blanket or buffalo.

7. Avoid all sudden changes of food in grain, or from hay to grass.

8. Due care should be taken that animals always have a plenty of pure, fresh air, and for this purpose stables should be well ventilated, as stock often become sick from breathing foul air. A proper amount of exercise is also essential.

9. Strict cleanliness should always be observed. All animals are found to maintain a better condition and fatten faster when curried and kept clean.

When an animal becomes sick, one of the best measures to be adopted, is good nursing. This a method beginning to be advocated by the best practitioners of the medical art, as being applicable to the human family, and is unquestionably as advantageous when applied to farm stock. There is no doubt that the life of valuable animals is often lost by doctoring, while many recover when left to themselves and the working of Nature.

NORTH DEVONSHIRE LEGEND.

HOW A FIDDLER'S SPIRIT TROUBLED HIS DAUGHTER'S HOUSEHOLD.

A work entitled "The North-Devon Scenery Book," recently published in England, furnishes a number of North Devonshire legends, one of which deserves a place in Howitt's History of the Supernatural. We quote:

"Not many years ago an old man was living in the village who possessed a fiddle, and was able to discourse merry music upon it. There was a large upstair-room in his house, which was called the dancing chamber, and here the boys and maidens of Combmartin used to assemble once a month, and dance, and talk, and flirt in their honest country fashion, and otherwise enjoy themselves after their day's work.

When the fiddler was dead, his daughter married, and she and her husband continued to live in the old man's house.—But as the husband could not play the fiddle the dancing chamber was of no use, and it was consequently converted to ordinary domestic purposes.

The alterations had scarcely been completed when the house became suddenly uninhabitable. Every night the most fearful noises rang from the floor to the roof—noises as though a score of horses were galloping up and down the old dancing-chamber, to the accompanyment of the loud cracking of whips and other similar unnatural sounds.

So that, as you may supposes, the family got but scanty rest at night; and were nearly driven to their wits' end by fright and preplexity.

At last the husband betook himself to the parson of the parish, and asked for advice and assistance in so disagreeable a state of affairs.

The parson suggested that such kinds of alarming noises were frequently caused by rats, and counseled him to procure the services of an expert in the killing of such unpleasant vermin.

In about a week the man again paid a visit to the rectory, evidenly wrought up to a pitch of desperation by his broken sleep and troubled dreams.

"It was no rats," he said; they had hunted in vain for such things; it was "a spirit"—whose, he couldn't tell, but there was no doubt that it was a real spirit; and the only thing to be done was to have it laid by the parson. If, he added, it should be too strong for one parson he hoped the rector would be good enough to get two other clergyman to join him, for he had been assured there was no spirit so powerful as to be able to stand out against the united powers of three parsons.

The rector, however, declined to revive the cold custom of exorcism; and consequently his parishioner went home with a troubled and angry heart.

A few days afterwards he came back once more, with a gleeful countenance, and said the spirit was laid, and that he himself had been able to effect the desired result.

Partly swayed by the absolute necessity of doing something to penetrate the mystery, partly persuaded by the sensible exhortations of the rector, he and his wife had instituted another thorough search in the haunted rooms, and, after much ripping up the roof and floor and waistcoat, they discovered an old silk waistcoat belonging to the deceased fiddler, snugly concealed in the thatch immediately above the dancing-chamber. In one of the pockets of this garment were two half crowns.

It become, therefore, immediately plain to them that the old man had been troubled at the loss which his family had sustained through the concealment of his hoard; and that the above-mentioned noises were the unnecessarily-strong means which he had taken to draw his daughter's attention to the hidden treasure.

In proof of this opinion it happened that henceforward the disturbance ceased entirely; and to this day, happily for the inhabitants of the cottage, the spirit has remained at rest.

THE SKEPTIC REFUTED.—"Ah," said a skeptical collegian to an old Quaker, "I suppose you are one of those fanatics who believe the Bible?"

"I do believe the Bible," said the old man, "does thee believe it?"

"No, I can have no proof of its truth."

"Then," inquired the old man, "does thee believe in France?"

"Yes, for although I have not seen it I have seen others who have. Besides there is plenty of corroborative proof that such a country does exist.

"Then thee will not believe anything thee or others have not seen?"

"No."

"Did thee ever see thy own brains?"

"No."

"Ever see a man who did see them?"

"No."

"Does thee believe thee has any?"

This last question put an end to the discussion.

☞ A great fortune in the hands of a fool is a great mis-fortune.

THE YOUNG SOLDIER.

Last evening at the Caledonian supper General Rosecrans exhibited the photograph of a boy who he said was the youngest soldier in the Army of the Cumberland. His name is Johnny Clem, twelve years of age, a member of company C, 22d Michigan Infantry. His home is in Newark, Ohio. He first attracted Rosecrans attention during a review at Nashville, where he was acting as marking for his regiment. His extreme youth (he is quite small for his age) and intelligent appearance interested the General, and calling him out, he questioned him as to his name, age, regiment, &c. General Rosecrans spoke encouragingly to the young soldier, and told him to come and see him whenever he came where he was.

He saw no more of Clem until Saturday last, when he went to his place of residence—the Burnet House—and found Johnny Clem sitting on his sofa, waiting to see him. Johnny had experienced some of the vicissitudes of war since last they met. He had been captured by Wheeler's cavalry near Bridgeport. His captors took him to Wheeler who saluted him with—

"What are you doing here, you d—d little Yankee scoundrel?"

Said Johnny Clem, stoutly—"General Wheeler, I am no more a d—d scoundrel than you are, sir."

Johnny said the rebels stole about all that he had including his pocket-book, which contained only twenty-five cents.

"But I would not have cared for the rest," he added, "if they hadn't stolen my hat, which had three bullet holes it received at Chickamauga."

He was finally paroled and sent North. On Saturday he was on his way to Camp Chase to join his regiment, having been exchanged. Gen. Rosecrans observed that the young soldier had chevrons on his arm, and asked the meaning of it. He said he was promoted to a corporal for shooting a reble colonel at Chickamauga. The colonel was mounted, and stopped Johnny at some point on the field, crying, "Stop, you little Yankee devil." Johnny halted, bringing his Austrin rifle to an "order," thus throwing the colonel off his guard, cocked his piece, (which he could easily do, being so short,) and suddenly bringing it to his shoulder, fired, the colonel falling dead with a bullet through his breast.

The little fellow told his story simply and modestly, and the General determined to honor his bravery. He gave him the badge of the "Roll of Honor," which Mrs. Sanuders, wife of the host of the Burnet House, sewed upon Johnny's coat. His eyes glistened with pride as he looked upon the badge, and little Johnny seemed to have grown an inch or two taller, he stood so erect. He left his photograph with Gen. Rosecrans, who exhibits it with pride. We may again hear from Johnny Clem, the youngest soldier in the Army of the Cumberland.—*Cin. Times.*

A GHOST ON THE GREAT EASTERN.

The European *Times* has the following story:—On the 11th, Capt. Paton, while addressing the Mercantile Marine Association in reference to the plan for repairing the big ship, mentioned a singular occurrence which took place at New York. An impression got abroad that the ship was haunted, the alleged ghost being no other than the impersonation of an unfortunate riveter, who was heard plying his occupation in one of the wells or compartments. Capt. Paton stated that before the vessel left this country he believed that one of the men employed in her constuction was missing. The man was a riveter, he was missed from the ship, and never came for his wages, the supposition being that he had been riveted up in some part of the vessel. So firmly impressed were some of the men with this idea, that they left the ship in consequence. They affirmed that they had heard their departed friend busily engaged riveting in the middle of the night. The story was believed by many persons in New York, and, on one occasion, while the ship was under repair, a diver signaled to be drawn up. He appeared pale with fright, and declared that the ghost of the riveter was busy in the bottom part of the ship; in fact, that he had been riviting immediately over his head. Such was the consternation among the diverse, that they called in the aid of one of the spirit mediums, who are somewhat numerous in the city of New York. The medium came on board the ship, and, after an examination, declared that the missing man was there, both "in body and in spirit." Fortunately Capt. Paton), by pure accident was enabled to dispel the illusion. Being in a boat near the bows of the ship, he discovered that a swivel connected with the moornings worked to and fro, the movement causing a chink or vibration, which, at times, more especially at night, was heard throughout the vessel. It was this sound which he had conjured up, in connection with the supposed fate of the unfortunate riveter. The phantom whose mysterious doings spread consternation on board the big ship.

☞ Never desert a friend.

PRIVATE HOTEL.

We observe the following going the rounds of the rebel press:

Mike has made several importance discoveries in his recent raid through the Southwest. He says he has just found out what a "private hotel" is. He has found several of them in his travels, and they are certainly very peculiar institutions. He says their bells and gongs make as much clatter as if there was really something on the table to call the public to, but when one gets there he sees nothing but empty plates.

Presently the waiters will be seen dispersing different articles of provender—pretty generally to the military gentlemen with the stars and bars on their collars—and when you ask them to give you "some of that what that fellr's got," the waiter will look at you just as a faro dealer does when he "rakes down your pile," looks as if he had "chawed" you, and innocently says:

That's private, sir!

"Then you look around to see what else might you taste, and you see another chap with eggs. You think "well, eggs are common enough, dear knows."

"Well, give me some eggs, then."

"Dem's private' too, sir. De gemmen fotch' em hear and we cook 'em for him."

"Give me some potatoes, then; I suppose they're not private," I said loud enough to attract all the eyes around the table.

"Yes, massa, dem's private, too; but I can give you some corn bread, an' here's some salt, an' here's some corn bread."

"Give me some of that butter, you black rascal," I said, aggrivated, as indeed it should make anybody feel who was paying eight dollars a day for board.

"Well, massa, clare, massa, dat's private, too! Here's some salt!"

Spying another nigger, I motioned him to me, thinking I would slip a bride into his fingers, and possibly get some of the private dishes. He came reluctantly, and as I extended my hand with a promise in it, he stopped and said in a low tone:

"I'se a private servant, massa."

This capped the climax, and I determined to finish my meal on corn dodger and salt, and take the next train for a change.—*Bugle Horn.*

GEN. GRANT IN A HORSE TRADE.—A few Congressmen on the train the other day entered into a conversation about the merits of different generals in our army, in the course of which one of them told the following story about Gen. Grant:

"I knew Ulysses Grant when he was a little boy. We used to go to school together, near Georgetown, Brown county, Ohio. The boys used to plague him dreadfully about a horse trade he once made.—When he was about twelve years old, his father sent him a few miles into the country to buy a horse from a man named Ralston. The old man told Ulysses to offer fifty dollars at first; if he wouldn't take that, to offer fifty-five dollars, and to go as high as sixty dollars, if no less would make the purchase. The embryotic major general started off with these instructions fully impressed upon his mind. He called upon Mr. Ralston, and told him he wished to buy the horse.

"How much did your father tell you to give for him?" was the very natural inquiry from the owner of the steed.

"Why," said Ulysses, "he told me to offer you fifty dollars, and if that wouldn't do, to give you fifty-five dollars, and if you wouldn't take less than sixty dollars, to give you that."

"Of course, sixty dollars was the lowest figure, and, on the payment of that amount, the animal became the property of the young Napoleon."

GEN. HARDEE AND THE STRAGGLER.—We recently heard a camp anecdote which we think, is worthy of being preserved in print. While on a forced march in some army movements in Mississippi last summer, Gen. Hardee came up with a straggler who had fallen some distance in the rear of his command. The General ordered him forward, when the soldier replied that he was weak and broken down, not having had even half rations for several days.

"That's hard," replied the General, "but you must push forward, my good fellow, and join your comrades, or the Provost guard will take you in hand." The soldier halted, and, looking up at the General, asked—

"Ain't you Gen. Hardee?

"Yes," replied the General.

"Did't you write Hardee's Tactics?

"Yes?"

"Well, General, I've studied them tactics, and know 'em by heart. You've got a order that to double column at half distance, ain't You?" "Well," asked the General, "what has that order to do with your case?"

"I'm a good soldier, General, and obey all that is possible to be obeyed; but if you can show me an order in your tactics, or anybody else's tactics, to double distance on half rations, then I'll give in."

The General, with a hearty laugh, admitted that there were no tactics to meet the case, and putting spurs to his horse, rode forward.

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ALTOONA, PA.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23, 1863.

CHAPLAIN TO CONGRESS.—Politics may be all very well in its place, but it is often connected with matters with which it has no connection. In the election of Members of Congress, to attend to the political affairs of the country, politics is in place, but when the men elected to Congress, by political machinery, so far forget themselves as to allow their political prejudices to control them in the matter of electing a chaplain to their body, we think they overstep proper bounds, and certainly bring upon themselves the odium of all intelligent and right thinking men, regardless of party, and we can hope for but little of harmony and unanimous action on any question upon which politics can be brought to bear. The Congress now in session displayed to perfection how far the members could carry their prejudices in this respect. For chaplain each party nominated the man most objectionable to the other, that could be found, consequently party lines were drawn and the members had to "go it blind." Certainly no more objectionable man, to the Democratic portion of the House, than Rev. Channing (leaving out his denial of the divinity of Christ) could have been nominated by the Republicans, and no more odious man, to the Republicans, than Bishop Hopkins (the Reverend apologist of slavery) could have been selected by the Democrats. Both advocate doctrines disbelieved by a large majority of both parties of the country, and the members of Congress, yet that bane of social intercourse and harmonious action, political prejudice, was allowed to override the better judgment of our members, and, instead of dropping both nominees for chaplain, and taking up an humble minister, not looking after a fat salary, they hung to their party and now hang upon the gibbet of public odium.

THE POSTAL MONEY ORDER SYSTEM.—We are glad to see that the Postmaster General has again urged the adoption of the system which has proved such a convenience in England, of allowing the Post-office to act as a medium for the transmission of money by orders purchasable at its sub-offices throughout the country. Nothing has contributed more to facilitate commercial transactions in the United Kingdom than this plan, and the wonder is that it has not been sooner adopted here. There is no other way in which small sums of money can be transmitted as inexpensively and safely. The system in England is not only self-supporting, but contributes a handsome surplus to the Post office revenues. We trust that congress will not fail this session to give it the legislative sanction which is necessary to enable the Department to put it in operation.

STAMP DUTIES ON MONEY RECEIPTS.—The Commissioner of Revenue believes that the system which levies stamp duties on documents and instruments of evidence may be judiciously extended. He purposes, therefore, to put a tax upon receipts for payment of money. Being of the utmost importance in all transactions, the necessity of making them valid evidence of payment would offer them the strongest inducement to having them duly stamped. It is believed that, by subjecting them to one-half the duty now required on checks and sight drafts, a considerable revenue might be obtained without seriously burdening any interest. In England, the penny stamp on receipts is $2,200,000. A tax here of half that amount, he thinks, would be nearly as productive. The imposition of a tax of this kind will tend to make the cash system more popular.

☞ On Wednesday night, says a Richmond paper of Dec. 11, the body of six deceased Yankee prisoners were deposited in the deadhouse of the hospital to await the coming of the undertaker with coffins. Yesterday morning one of the bodies was gone, and the plank knocked from the house showed the way the ghost went. He had been "playing possum," and was laid out among the dead only to get up and run away when nobody was looking.

☞ A House in Washington, two stories high worth about $50,000, rents this season for $4,000, furnished.

DEATH OF GEN. BUFORD.—The death of this distinguished Cavalry Officer is announced from Washington. His decease will create deep regret throughout the army of the Potomac, by whom he was greatly esteemed as a brave and honorable officer.

Gen. Buford died in Washington on Wednesday, of typhoid fever, contracted while in camp, and was, before his severe illness, in the prime of health and manhood. He graduated at West Point, in 1848, and had ever since remained in the regular service, being a captain of dragoons at the outbreak of the war. He won his first triumphs in Virginia, in the cavalry operations under General Pope. Shortly before his death the President appointed him a Major General.

Letter from Tennessee.

LOOKOUT VALLEY, TENN.,
Dec. 12th, 1863.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—We don't enjoy cold December winds and the pleasures of snow-balling here in Tennessee, neither do we enjoy the disagreeable rain storms, such as we are having to-day, but we have no room to grumble, for we have had fine weather for some time past. The order about old Regiments enlisting in the "Veteran Corps," created no little excitement here in our Division. The 29th Pa. Vol. Infantry have enlisted in said "Corps," and are now on the way home. Raining as it was, our Div. (2d, 12th A. C.) was called out to bid this band of veterans adieu, but only for a short time however. The several Brigades were formed in squares not far from "General Jno. W. Geary's" Headquarters. After standing long enough to get wet to the hide, the heroes of many a hard fought battle formed about seventy or more paces in front of us. Between the two columns was the fearless Jno. W. After arranging things to suit his generalship, he very cooly took from his crown the old hat that had sheltered it from many a rain storm, and made a few very appropriate remarks. You must remember that "Jno. W." can speak as well as fight, when it is nesessary. He begins "Fellow soldiers, this is no ordinary occasion, as you well know. We have not met for the purpose of charging Lookout's rocky steep, but to bid this our sister Regiment God's blessing and God's speed on their way to their respective homes in the Old Keystone State. This Regiment of braves have borne the heat and the burden of the spring, summer and fall campaigns with us; at that bloody battle of "Chancellorsville" they did nobly. Bravely did they defend the good Old Flag, and worthy are they of praise. At that deadly and unequalled conflict of Gettysburg, they lacked not that spirit, that energy, that love of country, that only inspires the truly brave, regardless of the chances of battle, and fearless as a Napoleon they stood in defence of the green graves of their sire's and the homes of their childhood. But this is not all. No sooner had the dust of old Virginia been cleaned from their army brogans than the lofty hights of "Lookout" were scaled by them. Not stopping here, they took an active part in the charging of Missionary Ridge, and Tarlor's Ridge; like brothers they have stood by us through thick and thin. Who knows, I may be speaking of a Statesman, a Philosopher, a Doctor, a General, who now is serving in the ranks of this noble Regiment, and is now going home to meet the fond embrace of a kind father, an affectionate mother, a loving sister and brother. My brave boys, when you are enjoying the luxuries of civil life don't forget the *White Star Division*. And, as you bow around the family altar, don't forget to offer up to Almighty God a prayer for the success and safe keeping of your brothers in the field. As I said before, don't forget the *white star division*.

After a few moments pause, "Jno. W." struck up the good old tune—"auld lang sine," to the very appropriate words—

"Should old acquaintance be forgot," &c.

It sounded first-rate until the leader of the choir (Jno. W.) broke down.. However, all meant well enough. Three rousing cheers were then given for the veteran regiment, after which it changed "posish" a little, and the Division marched past them; our Brigade (1st) Band playing the air, "Red, White and Blue," with great accuracy and satisfaction. Then came the music. All the Drum Corps of the Brigade began playing; one, one beat, one another, no two played alike; but all got beat in the end, for the bearing turned out to be a harmonious discord. Thus ended the performance, and the brave 29th is on its way home, the boys feeling good you may bet.

All's quiet down here. Occasionally some Rebs find their way into our lines, as they are still deserting the rebel ranks.

Yours truly, OWEN H.

Sufferings of the People of Georgia.

A letter from Chatanooga, 11th inst., to the St. Louis *Republican*, says: "Gen. Joe Johnston has already assumed command of the rebel army, and there are indications that, if our forces are unable to move for two months, and they will not be, he will concentrate everything available in the cotton States and try to make a stand at or near Dalton. It is believed that by abandoning all other points he can raise from forty to fifty thousand men. But they will be far less formidable than when engaged on Missionary Ridge; and as low as Bragg stands as a General, he certainly is the superior of General Joe Johnston.

"Guerrillas will doubtless in the meantime be active, but they will fail to divide our forces.—When General Grant gets transportation he will move down upon the Dalton rebels like an irresistible avalanche. If the rebellion in Virginia were as near crushed as at this point, spring would witness the disbanding of our army. Evidence of the suffering of the people of the South is increasing. Every commissary is crowded with applications for relief, and letters from the South found in deserted rebel camps evince that the famine is universal. The army is the only hope of the rebel leaders; therefore it will be fed as long as provisions can be obtained, and as plentifully as stores on hand will admit; and this must be done though the people starve.

"Major Northup, of the Twenty-third Kentucky, has in his possession a letter, found on the body of a rebel lieutenant killed on the 23d at the sudden charge on Orchard Knob. He had evidently just received it at the time the alarm was given, and had not yet had time to break the seal. It was from his wife, and conveyed a story which to a sensitive husband, must have led almost to suicide. She detailed the sufferings around her, and how she had been reduced to the last extremity, adding that for herself she would have starved, but she could not see her children die, and therefore she had fallen, imforming him of the name of the party; and then she appealed to him to forgive her, for God's sake if possible; but if not to take care of the children, and let her go to ruin. I am convinced that this is but a true statement of the sufferings throughout the South. The letter referred to is from Missippi, but I suppress its locality and the names."

The Proposed Changes in the Militia Law.

A few months ago complaints were made by the disloyal that the law "for enrolling the national forces" was too liberal to be just. The fact that any one could procure an exemption from service by the payment of three hundred dollars was loudly denounced as an unfair advantage, extended to the rich, and a burdensome discrimination against the poor. Now there is a likelihood of repealing this provision, the objections are made by certain newspapers, which formerly denounced the $300 exemption, that the Government intends to take from the poor man the only means that he had to protect himself against compulsory service. We do not suppose that the discontent manifested against the law has anything to do with the determination which has been manifested at Washington to make the militia law more stringent, but certain it is that the draft thus far has only produced fifty thousand men, and an amount of money which, at the rate fixed in the original act, would be sufficient to furnish adequate bounty for thirty-four thousand more. The exemptions having been very numerous, and the total yield of the draft experiment, in comparison to what was expected from it, is trifling.

The bill of amendment proposed by Senator Wilson will make considerable difference in the *status* of persons under another draft.

In the first place, the privilege of paying $300 for an exemption is to be abolished. The party drawn, unless he can establish his exemption under some of the provisions yet available to him, must either shoulder his musket, or obtain a substitute. The Government will not undertake to procure a soldier, to act in his place. The "rights of the poor" will, therefore, no longer be invaded, and there will be no excuse for another riot in New York. Every poor man will have the same chance as the rich man in hunting up a substitute, and, if the wealthy man outbids him, the Government will not be to blame.

There is to be no first and second classes as heretofore. The married man of forty, or forty-four years of age, who may have a wife and a dozen of children to support, will be compelled to shoulder his musket along side of his fellow conscript, the unmarried youth of twenty. Under the present law the only son of a widow dependent upon his labor for support may be exempted. By the proposed amendment she must be *wholly* dependent. The only son of parents dependent upon his labor is now exempted. His liberation hereafter will depend upon the fact that the parents are *wholly* dependent upon him. Where there are several sons in a family, whose parents are wholly dependent upon them, and all are drafted, one may be excepted or released on the application of the parent. Persons who claim that their orphan brothers and sisters are dependent upon them, must also show that they are *wholly* dependent.

The exemption heretofore allowed to the fathers of motherless children under twelve years of age is to be withdrawn. The fact that two or more sons of a family are already in service will not exempt their brothers. But where there have been two brothers in service who have died in the army, or have been permanently disabled while upon duty, the remaining brothers of the family are to be exempted. Persons who have been convicted of felony are still to enjoy the stigma of being too vile to be soldiers of the United States. The privilege of a father or mother to choose which one of two sons liable to draft shall be exempted, is to exist no longer.

These changes will produce some excitement and discussion. The amendment likely to meet with most opposition is that abolishing the classes. It seems hard and unequal, that whilst a man who has a large number of helpless children may be forced into the ranks, another whose filial obligations to his infirm father or mother are no stronger than the parental duties of the other, may go free. —*Philadelphia Inquirer.*

The Three Hundred Dollar Exemption Clause.

We are told that the present Congress is likely, within a few days, to repeal this provision in the Act of Congress, fixing $300 as an equivalent for military service. If this repeal is yielded to the clamor that was raised against it, we are convinced it will be against the better judgment of the members of Congress passing it. Why should we not have an equivalent in money for military service? Nearly every European nation has this fixture in its laws. If it is not thus, indeed, the draft becomes onerous to the poor man. The wealthy who do not desire to go will of course find a substitute at $300—$1,000—if need be $3,000. Some money equivalent should be fixed in the law, unless that Congress will go the whole length, and utterly prohibit a substitute under any circumstances.—We do not say that $300 is the exact equivalent. Perhaps it ought to be more. But, having commenced to act under the law, it is unjust to the names already in the wheel to either repeal the clause or increase the amount. If we must have a new enrollment, why, then, let this matter of its entire repeal come up on its merits. But, when the General Government has the names already in the box—one-fifth of which have been drawn out under the existing law—why should the other four-fifths have any such radical changes made as is now contemplated? The thing strike us as preposterous. Those names already drawn from the wheel submitted to the law, and yet, if one-half the changes now proposed become law, the other four-fifths will be forced to submit to an entirely new set of regulations.

The time has not come to adopt radical changes in this act. As soon as, and no sooner than the names in the present boxes are exhausted, and a new enrollment has to be made, can those wholesale changes be engrafted by Congress in the law.

It is said that Copperheads raised a clamor against this $300 feature. So they would if Congress should re-enact the Lord's Prayer, the Constitution, or anything else. But the public enforced this law in 1863, will enforce it in 1864, or any other time until this rebellion is ended. We do not care what Copperheads say; the probabilities are that it was right, because they assailed it. If you wish to please them, you would have to repeal all law allowing the State or the Union to suppress this rebellion.

As soon as the nation has exhausted the names collected in the box, then let us have a new Act of Congress, based on our experience of the workings of the present. But while we have on hand the names furnished by the last enrollment, let us not change until all have had their chances under the same law. Equity is equity. If the first fifth had submitted to the existing law, so should the other four-fifths, whose names are already in the box.

We have no right to reject the Acts of Congress, and thus subject the names heretofore obscure to the chances of a new deal. Nor have we a right to subject them to any harder terms than were imposed on those first drawn.

If this three hundred dollar clause is now repealed, why then Congress may say that no substitute shall be allowed, and thus the remaining names be subjected to terms ten times as onerous as were imposed on those first drawn. With all its imperfections we should make no radical changes in the Act until all the names in the wheel have been drawn, and all had an equal chance to serve their country—to exemption under its disability clauses, or else have paid their money equivalent. —*Pittsburg Commercial.*

STRANGE RUMOR.—A rumor has been circulating in this vicinity for a week past of rather strange nature. It will be remembered that sometime last winter, the body of Mr. Peter Vandevander, who was a resident of Petersburg, this county, was found in the woods with a bullet hole in the head. Suspicion at the time rested on a certain individual who had been seen in the vicinity of the spot where the foul deed was committed, but a short time previously. This individual subsequently enlisted, and rumor has it was mortally wounded a short time since in a skirmish in Virginia; that previous to his death he had confessed himself the perpetrator of the above deed—having shot Mr. V. in a mistake for another man, against whom he had a grudge. We give this for what it is worth, not being able to vouch for its correctness.—*Huntingdon Journal.*

☞ Some one has made a calculation showing the number of soldiers furnished by each state according to populations.

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Ohio 1 soldier to every 17.
Indiana 1 soldier to every 14.
Illinois 1 soldier to every 18.
Michigan 1 soldier to every 15.
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IN the COURT of COMMON PLEAS of Blair county

ELIZABETH DOUGHERTY, vs AARON DOUGHERTY } No 54. April Term 1863, Libel for Divorce.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Court, a commissioner to take testimony in the above stated case, hereby gives notice that he will examine witness and take testimony, in pursuance of said appointment, at the Office of John W. Humes, Esq., in the Borough of Altoona, in said county, on the 9th day of January, A. D, 1864, between the hours or 9 o'clock in the forenoon and 5 o'clock in the afternoon. AUG. S. LANDIS,
Altoona, Dec. 17, 1863-3t.] *Commissioner.*

ESTRAY STEER.—Came to the residence of the subscriber, in Antis township, on or about the 20th of August last, a WHITE STEER, about two years old, having two letters, supposed to be "J. M," imperfectly cut upon one horn and his tail cropped. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away, otherwise he will be disposed of according to law. DAVID MANLEY.
Antis tp. Dec. 17, 1863-3t.*

EXECUTORS NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Lewis Gwin, late of Logan township, Blair county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned. All persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims will present the same duly authenticated for settlement.
JAS. L. GWIN,
ALEX GWIN } Executors.
Dec. 17, 1863-3t.

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The weak stomach is rapidly invigorated and the appetite restored by this agreeable Tonic, and hence it works wonders in cases of DYSPEPSIA and in lesss confirmed forms of INDIGESTION. Acting as a gentle and painless aperient, as well as upon the liver, it also invariably relieves the CONSTIPATION superinduced by irregular action of the digestive and secretive organs.

Persons of feeble habit, liable to *Nervous Attacks, Lowness of Spirits* and *Fits of Languor*, find prompt and permanent relief from the Bitters. The testimony on this point is most conclusive, and from both sexes.

The agony of BILLIOUS COLIC is immediately assuaged by a single dose of the stimulant, and by occasionally resorting to it, the return of the complaint may be prevented

As a General Tonic, HOSTETTER'S BITTERS produce effects which must be experienced or witnessed before they can be fully appreciated. In cases of *Constitutional Weakness, Premature Decay* and Debility and Decrepitude arising from OLD AGE, it exercises the electric influence. In the convalescent stages of all diseases it operates as a delightful invigorant. When the powers of nature are relaxed, it operates to re-enforce and re-establish it.

Last, but not least, it is *The only Safe Stimulant*, being manufactured from sound and innocuous materials, and entirely free from the acid elements present more or less in all the ordinary tonics and stomachics of the day.

No family medicine has been so universally, and it may be truly added, *deservedly* popular with the intelligent portion of the community, as HOSTETTER'S BITTERS.

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Genuine Preparations.

COMPOUND FLUID EXTRACT BUCHU, a Positive and Speed Remedy for diseases of the Bladder, Kidneys, Gravel and Dropsical Swellings.

This Medicine increases the power of Digestion, and excites the Absorbents into healthy action, by which the Watery or Calcereous depositions, and all Urinatural Enlargements are reduced, as well as Pain and Inflammation.

HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU.

For Weakness arising from Excesses, Habits of Dissipation, Early Indiscretion of Abuse, attended with the following symptoms:—

Indisposition to Exertion,	Loss of Power,
Loss of Memory,	Difficulty of Breathing,
Weak Nerves,	Trembling,
Horror of Disease,	Wakefulness,
Dimness of Vision,	Pain in the Back,
Universal Lassitude of the Muscular System,	
Hot Hands,	Flushing of the Body,
Dryness of the Skin,	Eruptions on the Face,
Pallid Countenance,	

These symptoms, if allowed to go on, which this medicine invariably removes, soon follows

Impotency, Futuity, Epileptic Fits;

In one of which the Patient may expire.

Who can say that they are not frequently followed by those "Direful Diseases,"

"INSANITY AND CONSUMPTION."

Many are aware of the cause of their suffering.

BUT NONE WILL CONFESS THE RECORDS OF THE INSANE ASYLUMS.

And Melancholy Deaths by Consumption bear ample witness to the Truth of the assertion.

The Constitution once affected with Organic Weakness requires the aid of Medicine to Strengthen and Invigorate the System,

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A Trial will convince the most skeptical.

FEMALES—FEMALES—FEMALES.

In many Affections peculiar to Females the EXTRACT BUCHU is unequaled by any other remedy, as in Chlorosis or Retention, Irregularity, Painfulness, or Suppression of Customary Evacuations, Ulcerated or Scirrhous state of the Uterus Leuchorrhœa or Whites, Sterility, and for all complaints incident to the sex, whether arising from indiscretion, Habits of Dissipation, or in the

DECLINE OR CHANGE OF LIFE.

Take no more Balsam, Mercury, or unpleasant Medicine for unpleasant and dangerous diseases.

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SECRET DISEASES

In all their Stages,	At little Expense.
Little or no change in Diet.	No inconvenience.

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It causes a frequent decise and gives strength to Urinate, thereby Removing Obstructions, Preventing and Curing Strictures of the Urethra, allaying Pain and Inflammation, so frequent in the class of diseases, and expelling *all Poisonous, Diseased and wornout Matter.*

THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS WHO HAVE BEEN THE VICTIMS OF QUACKS, and who have paid *heavy fees* to be cured in a short time, have found they were deceived, and that the "POISON" has, by the use of "POWERFUL ASTRINGENTS," been dried up in the system, to break out in an aggravated form, and *perhaps after Marriage.*

Use HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU for all affections and diseases of the URINARY ORGANS, whether existing in MALE or FEMALE, from whatever cause originating and no matter of HOW LONG STANDING.

Diseases of these Organs requires the aid of a DIURETIC. HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU IS THE GREAT DIURETIC, and is certain to have the desired effect in all *Diseases for which it is Recommended.*

Evidence of the most reliable and responsible character will accompany the medicine.

PRICE $1 PER BOTTLE, OR SIX FOR $5.

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Describe Symptoms in all Communications.

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HELMBOLD'S *Drug and Chemical Warehouse.*
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Cut out the Advertisement and send for it.
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Altoona Tribune.

Printed on Campbell's 1860 "Country Press."

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CARD & JOB

PRINTING OFFICE.

Having, within the past two years, made considerable addition to our establishment in the way of new fancy type, Screw Press, Paper Cutter, Card Cutter, Ruling Machine, Card Power Press, and large Newspaper Power Press, (a cut of which we give above) we are now prepared to execute anything in the line of printing or ruling in a style equal to any establishment in the State, and at prices equally low. We can execute, on short notice, all styles of

Wedding, Invitation, Visiting, Ball & Business Cards,

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BLANK BOOKS,

MANIFESTS, AND BLANKS OF ALL KINDS.

All we ask is a trial, feeling confident that we can give satisfaction if we have the opportunity.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

THE BUILDING ASSOCIATION.—Since we have agitated the formation of a Building Association, in this place, we have had many inquiries in relation thereto, and there seems to be a desire to get up something of the kind. We have before us the Constitution and By-laws of a couple of Associations, in Eastern towns, but they do not exactly come up to our ideas of such an enterprise, although they are very good. We will give our plan for conducting such an enterprise, subject, of course, to such amendments as those better acquainted with such matters may suggest.

We propose that application be made to the Legislature for a charter incorporating a Building Association in Altoona, with a capital of $50,000, in shares of $100 or $200 each, as may be deemed best, said shares to be paid in monthly instalments of from one to five per cent. as may be determined upon. As soon as there shall be sufficient money in the treasury, the Board of Managers shall proceed to buy lots and contract for the erection of houses thereon. The object should be to secure contiguous lots, so that a number of houses, of the same style, can be built at the same time, thereby decreasing the cost, as well as giving uniformity to the appearance of streets. When contiguous lots are secured, more houses may be erected on the same ground, than could be, if the property be scattered about in single lots. The houses so built shall be immediately offered for rent, and, as there are plenty of tenants, they would not long remain empty. As soon as rented the interest on the money invested will immediately return.

The Association may also buy and sell houses. Should a property be offered for sale, let the Managers, or a person elected for the purpose, examine it and report, and if the investment be considered good, it may be purchased. Should any person wish to purchase a house belonging to the Association, a price and terms of payment may be fixed, but members of the Association shall always have the preference. If no member wishes to buy, then the property may be sold to a person outside of the Association. In selling houses, the terms should be monthly payments of from $10 to $15 each, according to the value of the house, with the privilege of paying more, should the purchaser choose to do so, in order to save interest. By selling houses on these terms, many men who have a little money by them, but not enough to buy a lot and erect a house, may put their money into this Association and obtain a good percentage thereon, and at the same time secure themselves a house on easy payments—the payments, in fact, being but little more than they now pay for rent, for which they have nothing in the end.

As a savings institution, if persons do not wish to obtain a property, this Association would certainly prove one of the best, as the security is real estate, which, in a growing town like Altoona, must all the time be increasing in value.

To give the enterprise a start, we propose that all who wish to enter into it, or obtain further information, to meet at Logan Hall, on Saturday evening next, December 26th, at 7 o'clock.

De Marbelle's Troup.

STREET LAMPS.—We want light! For eight years we have groped our way around town, after nightfall, over excuses for crossings and rickety board pavements; and, notwithstanding the enormous taxes paid, things have improved but little. If we cannot have good crossings and secure walks, for the sake of our limbs and morality, give us light that we may see where we are going, and be able to avoid puddles of water on crossings and broken boards in the pavements. We think that our citizens generally would be willing, if they are not now really anxious, that a portion of the taxes be appropriated to erecting a lamp post at the corner of every square. We know it would be very nice to have an additional post in the centre of every block, but we do not want to go into things too steep at first, and will therefore be content if the "Borough Fathers" will give us a lamp at each crossing. Many of our citizens would be willing to pay an additional tax for this purpose. The Railroad Company has furnished lights at three of the crossings. Cannot the "Fathers" carry out the good work? Try it on, gentlemen, and we'll bet something handsome you will become the most popular councilmen we have ever had.

Musical & Magical.

WHERE IS THIS THING GOING TO STOP.—Christmas is coming to town on the 25th of this month and is going to stop at S. C. Postlewaits confectionery store, between the Post Office and Rail Road. That's where Crist Kin Kle is going to get the good things to put in good childrens' stockings, but if he don't leave you any, come around with your money and you can get them there yourself.

Slight of Hand.

TIME EXTENDED.—The Provost Marshals of the various districts have received a circular from the Provost Marshal General, extending the time to hear applications for exemption from the draft, on the ground of alienage, non-residence, unsuitableness of age or manifest permanent physical disability, to the 5th of January, 1864.

See Advertisement.

DIPHTHERIA.—The following article upon the nature and treatment of this peculiar and most dangerous malady appeared in a late number of the Philadelphia "Ledger." As it was evidently written by an experienced physician, and as it throws new light upon the treatment of a disiase which, except in its fatal results, is but little understood, it is worthy of general perusal at this particular time:

We notice the recurrence of numerous cases of diphtheria in many parts of the State, and indeed throughout the United States. Many colds seem to run into this, and in cases of croup there are such singular complications, that it is difficult, and often impossible, to tell one from the other.—The word diphtheria means literally "*leathery*," from the character of the membrane which forms often inside the throat in this disease, and which looks very much like *wash-leather*. It used almost always to appear at first in white spots or patches on the back of the throat, or on the tonsils. This would often spread rapidly, and either produce suffocation or fill the whole system with the disease, especially the lungs, stomach and bowels. There is now, however, a marked difference in the type and order of many of the symptoms. There are numerous cases of diphthoretic sore throat that never go any farther, and are easily manageable; and, on the other hand, there are many cases of the most real and terrible diphtheria, where the white spots never appear in the throat. Sometimes the throat will be sore and even of a purple hue, with not a particle of the characteristic diphthoretic whiteness, while yet it may at the very same time fill the bronchial tubes below, and even the stomach and intestines, so that a patient has been suffocated by a piece of the detached membrane forming a valve in the throat, while that throat itself was only purple. Probably after the first attack has been in the throat, a second will be more apt to manifest itself in some of the tubes lower down.

The disease itself, apparently, is in the blood, into which the poison is most likely inhaled through the atmosphere, and considerable strength of constitution seems necessary to throw off its attacks, for, like all this class of poisons, the tendency is to produce prostration, and then the whole system is an easy prey to it; so that a sore in any part of the body will exhibit this same diphthoretic or leathery tendency.

The great principal of treatment is and naturally must be, as in typhoid and scarlet fever, to keep up the strength of the patient by the most stimulating food. The strongest beef tea, yolk of eggs, tender beef stake and mutton chops under done, where these last can be swallowed, are more valuable than almost any other medicines, so that as these are given the fever of the patient abates instead of rising, as most would expect.

But the most important matter to be born in mind is the value of *time* in the treatment of the disease. Not an hour is to be lost after the character of the attack is ascertained or even suspected. The best medical skill should be sought without the loss of an unnecessary five minutes.—Nothing that can impair the vital energy in the least degree should be in the meantime allowed the patient. A dose of opening medicine, physical exertions or a hundred other things which at a different time would be quite natural, may here prove a fatal mistake. The fever, headache, sickness at the stomach, which are so characteristic of the attacks of this disease in its worst forms, are to be chiefly combatted by the stimuli that overcome the disease, although pounded ice or small lumps of it often best allay the sickness and enable other medicines and food to remain on the stomach. Ice cream of the best quality is in fact often here as elsewhere the best of medicens. On the other hand, a steam bath, easily made by covering the patient, head and all with a blanket, and letting the steam of hot water rise into this and be freely breathed, by producing a profuse prespiration, seems of great service. But the whole of these remedies should be guided by the most intelligent care and skill, and from the earliest possible monent.

Logan Hall.

AN INCIDENT.—A short time since, an officer, belonging to the Army of the Cumberland, passed through this place, on his way to Washington city. After taking tea at the Logan House, he turned to one of the proprietors and said to him that a private soldier belonging to a Pennsylvania regiment, learning that he (the officer) was to pass this way, requested him to tell the proprietors of the Logan House that a few months since, as he was on his way to join his regiment, he entered the office of the Hotel, while the passengers and others were at supper, and stole therefrom an overcoat which he disposed of at a pawn-brokers, in Pittsburg, for five dollars. The officer gave the name of the soldier and the regiment to which he belonged and also the name of the pawn-broker. As coats have, on more than one occasion, mysteriously disappeared from the office of the Logam House, (through the carelessness of the owners in letting them lie around loose, and not from any fault of the proprietors, who are respoisible only for those placed in their care,) it was difficult to tell to whom the coat belonged. A brakeman on the Mail Train, between this place and Pittsburg, on going in hastily to supper one evening, had thrown his coat on the counter. When he came out it was *non est*. Learning the above, he visited the pawn-brokers establishment and there found his coat. Evidently that soldier wants to be honest, as evidenced by the fact that he gave his name and told all the circumstances connected with the transaction. He must have been short of funds at the time, and the opportunity to steal the coat and pawn it being presented, he could not resist the temptation, but committed the act, for which, by now exposing himself, he is endeavoring to atone. Would that all who have done likewise were thus conscience stricken.

Thursday Evening Dec. 24th.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.—Call and see the fine stock of Photograph Albums, suitable for Holiday Presents. The cheapest and the best assortment to be found in the town.

Also a fresh stock of fine French Cream Confections such as

Cream Strawberries,
" Chocolate,
" Bon Bons,
Orange Slice,
Peach "
Moss Paste,
" Drops,
Gum "
Burnt Almonds,
Rose "
Vanilla "

Fancy Cornetts and a full stock of Plain Candy.
Fresh stock of Family Crackers.
Soda Biscuit,
Sugar "
Ginger Nuts,
Apples, Nuts, Cigars, and Tobacco.

Perfumery, Extracts, Pomade and Hair Oil; Toilet and shaving Soap, Combs &c.; writing Paper, (Cap Letter, Billet and Note), Envelopes of all sizes and qualities, and a variety of Notions, all on hand and for sale cheap for cash by

A. CLABAUGH,
No. 1 Cor. Brant Row.

TOWNSEND'S LIVING WONDERS.—To the scientifically inquisitive and merely curious of our citizens, an opportunity of rare gratification will be afforded, by the temporary presence among us, of Townsend's host of living wonders, which may be seen on the posters. The proprietor announces that he has, at an utter disregard of expense, succeeded in securing for a tour through the United States, the services of Col. Roth Goshen, the Arabian Giant; the wonderful Albino Family, and the mammoth Queen, who stands pre-eminent in his unparalleled exhibition. These titles are familiar to many of our citizens. They have a wide spread fame, not only from their exhibition in some of the Eastern cities, and in the American Museum for a short time, but from their exhibition in Europe, where they excited extraordinary notice on the part of Queen Victoria, Prince Albert and many other nobilities, while the masses flocked to behold these remarkable specimens of the human race. The appearance of the "What Is It," is as different from that of mankind in general as can well be imagined, without wondering into the idea of another order of beings, while the general proportions of the human figure are still so closely retained that the spectator is forced to confess that he is indeed the greatest curiosity to be found among the varied descendents of Adam, and we think that no one, whether young or old should fail to witness this unique group. There is no humbug about the exhibition, as there are to be found the names of some of the most eminent men of the day testifying to the genuineness of its claims to public patronage. We hazzard nothing in saying that visitors will derive no small amount of pleasure, mingled with instruction, by visiting this exhibition at Masonic Hall on Christmas and the day following, afternoon and evening.

☞ When, in the course of human events, we, like the rest of mankind, or "any other man" feel inclined to indulge in a real luxury, we instantaneously insert our pedal extremities underneath Otto Rossi's mahogany, and politely insinuate that a dozen of those fine cove plant Oysters, which he always keeps on hand, would satiate our appetite for the time being. They come forthwith, and each succeeding time better than the last. Go to Rossi's if you wish a dish of oysters "as is" oysters.—Also, if you want fancy cakes, pies, confectioneries &c., call at Rossi's.

☞ There is a letter in the Post office, in this place, addressed to the "Prettiest Young Lady in Altoona," and the Post Master cannot decide to whom it should be given. The best thing he could do with it would be to put it in the stove, or should he not wish to do that, let him give it to the biggest fool of a girl he knows of, as it is evident that the writer is one of the same style of the male kind.

☞ The election for Officers of the Altoona Mechanics' Library and Reading Room Association, to serve during the year 1864, will be held on Thursday evening, January 7th, 1864, between the hours of 6½ and 8 o'clock, P. M. Annual meeting of the association immediately after the election.

E. ELDER, *Rec. Sec'y.*

The Draft.

'Tis said the Draft will certainly come off next month, but this will not prevent Old Kriskinkle from holding his annual *Levee*, at his old quarters, Fett's Oak Hall, during the Hollidays, during which time it is confidently anticipated there will be an immense Draft made by *all* our citizens upon the splendid stock of toys, notions and fancy articles, all suitable for holiday gifts. Our stock has been selected with a view to please all sorts and conditions of men, women and children, from the richest to the poorest. Please call early as the rush will be great. Our stock consists of such an immense variety, that it is next to impossible to enumerate. We can but state that we have on hand a great variety of toys, suited to all ages; together with a splendid stock of protograph albums, photograph bibles and gift books, ranging in price, from $1.50 up to 10 dollars each. Also, a magnificent collection of pocket-books, port-monaies and pocket-diaries and memorandum books. In the way of sweetmeats we have a rich and rare variety of confectionery, consisting of all kinds of plain and fancy candies, cream preparations, nuts and good things generally. In the jewelry line, we have a splendid lot of gold pens and pencils, ear-rings, breast-pins, finger-rings, &c., &c., all very suitable for holiday gifts!

We keep constantly on hand a splendid variety of sheet music. All new pieces received as soon as out. Any new pieces, not on hand, can be ordered through us on short notice. H. FETTINGER.

N. B. The Ball was opened on Monday, December 21st, and will continue for one week or more.

GRAND VICTORY!

THE CASH SYSTEM TRIUMPHANT!

Two years experience has convinced me that when goods are sold *for Cash*, they can be sold at a very small advance on first cost; therefore I have determined to make ANOTHER REDUCTION in my prices, to take effect

ON AND AFTER DECEMBER 4th, 1863.

In taking this step, I have been actuated solely by a desire to benefit the laboring classes. While there has been but a small advance in wages, the necessaries of life have advanced enormously, and the prospects are that they will still go higher.

Believing that the additional amount of goods which I can sell, at the reduced prices, will justify me in my undertaking, I respectfully invite the attention of the public to the following figures.—Almost every person is aware of the prices at which the goods specified are now selling, hence they will readily note the reduction, and can easily figure up the saving to them in them in the course of a year. My prices have heretofore been as low, if not lower, than those of any other merchant in the country, but I now make the following reductions in

DRY GOODS.

Calicoes,	2	cents	per yard.
Delaines,	2½	"	" "
Alpacas,	5	"	" "
Mohair,	8	"	" "
Reps,	8	"	" "
Merinos,	20	"	" "
Irish Poplins,	5 to 8	"	" "
Lustres,	5	"	" "
Cashmeres,	5 to 15	"	" "
Shawls,	50 cents to $1.50		each.
Flannels,	5 to 10	cents	per yard.
Kentucky Jeans,	5	"	" "
Tweeds,	5 to 10	"	" "
Cottonades,	5	cents	per yard.
Sattinetts,	5 to 15	"	" "
Cassimeres,	15 to 25	"	" "
Plaid Flannel,	8	"	" "
Shirting,	5 to 8	"	" "
Linseys,	5 to 8	"	" "
Canton Flannel,	2 to 5	"	" "
Linen Table-Cloths,	10 to 12	"	" "
Cotton,	5 to 10	"	" "
Ladies' Cloaking Cloth,	12 to 25	"	" "
Shirting Check,	2 to 3	"	" "
Ticking,	5 to 8	"	" "
Muslin,	2 to 5	"	" "

Gloves, Hosiery, Opera Hoods, &c., reduced accordingly.

GROCERIES.

Syrups,	10	cents	per gallon.
Sugar,	1	"	" pound.
Coffee,	2	"	" "
Tea,	10 to 15	"	" "
Pepper,	10	"	" "
Ginger,	10	cents	per pound.
Starch,	2	"	" "
Ess. Coffee,	1	"	" box.
Candles,	1	"	" pound.
Soap,	1 to 5	"	" "

QUEENSWARE.

White Stone Tea Sets,	50	cents	per set.
" " " Plates,	10	"	" "
" " Dinner "	12	"	" "
White Stone Soup Plates,	12	cents	per set.
China Tea Sets,	$1.00 to $2.00		per set.

CARPET & OIL-CLOTH.

Rag Carpet,	6	cents	per yard.
List,	6	"	" "
All Wool Carpet,	10	cents	per yard.
Floor Oil-Cloth,	5	"	" "

SHOES.

Ladies' Custom-Made Sewed Shoes, 12 cts. per pair.			
" " Pegged " 10 to 15	"	"	"
Misses' Shoes,	10 to 12	cents	" "
Children's Shoes,	5 to 10	"	" "

I wish all to understand that these prices are for CASH ONLY—that they are made to accommodate persons of small means, to whom it is an object to purchase where the can save a few cents on each article—and that they will be adhered to strictly for the present, and so long, in the future, as my sales will justify. After making the reduction I must doublr my sales in order to make as much money as I did at the old prices. The public can at once discover that it is to their advantage to extend me their patronage, thereby enabling me to make still further reductions for their benefit.

R. A. O. KERR.
Main Street, Altoona, Pa.

Dec. 2, 1863.—tf.

FIRE! FIRE!!—Do not risk your property any longer to the mercy of the flames, but go to Kerr and have him insure you against loss by fire.—He is agent for thirteen different companies, among which are some of the best in the United States.

Altoona, July 21,—tf.

NOTICE.—Foreign notes will not be received at the office of the Altoona Gas and Water Company in payment for gas or water bills, inasmuch as the bank in this place will not receive them on deposit

BENJ. F. ROSE, *Treasurer.*

Altoona Nov. 19th, 1863.

DYE COLORS.—Howe & Stevens' Dye Colors, twenty-four different shades.

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Howe & Stevens' Dye Colors, twenty-four different shades, for sale at

ROUSH'S DRUG STORE.

☞ Nichols' Elixer of Iron and Peruvian Bark.
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For sale at ROUSH'S DRUG STORE.

☞ Baker's Cod Liver Oil, pure and fresh.
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THE SINGER SEWING MACHINES.

OUR LETTER A FAMILY SEWING MACHINE is fast gaining a world-wide reputation. It is beyond doubt the best and cheapest and most beautiful of all Family Sewing Machines yet offered to the public. No other Family Sewing Machine has so many useful appliances for Hemming, Binding, Felling, Tucking, Gathering, Guaging, Braiding, Embroidering, Cording, and so forth. No other Family Sewing Machine has so much capacity for a great variety of work. It will sew all kinds of cloth, and with all kinds of thread. Great and recent improvements make our Family Sewing Machine most reliable, and most durable, and most certain in action at all rates of speed. It makes the interlocked stitch which is the best stitch known. Any one, even of the most ordinary capacity, can see at a glance, how to use the letter A Family Sewing Machine. Our Family Sewing Machines are finished in chaste and exquiste style.

The folding Case of the Family Machine is a piece of cunning workmanship of the most useful kind. It protects the machine when not in use, and when about to be operated may be opened as a spacious and substantial table to sustain the work. While some of the Cases, made out of the choicest woods, are finished in the simplest and chastest manner possible, others are adorned and embellished in the most costly and supurb manner.

It is absolutely necessary to see the Family Machine in operation, so as to judge of its great capacity and beauty.

It is fast becoming as popular for family sewing as our Manufacturing machines are for manufacturing purposes.

The Branch Officers are well supplied with silk, twists, thread, needles, oil, &c., of the very best quality.

Send for a PAMPHLET.

THE SINGER MANUFACTURING COMPANY.
458 Broadway, New York.

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Mr. D. W. A. Belford, Merchant Tailor, Virginia Street Agent in Altoona.

Altoona, Nov. 13, 1862. [1.yr.

THE GREATEST DISCOVERY OF THE AGE.

Farmers, Families and others can purchase no remedy equal to Dr. Tobias' Venetian Liniment, for dysentery, colic, croup, chronic rheumatism, sore throats, toothache, sea sickness, cuts, burns, swellings, bruises, old sores, headache, mosquito bites, pains in the limbs, chest, back, &c. If it does not give relief the money will be refunde. All that is asked is a trial, and use it according to the directions.

DR. TOBIAS—Dear Sir. I have used your Venetian Liniment in my family for a number of years, and believe it to be the best article for what it is recommended that I have ever used. I have no hesitation in recommending it for all the diseases it professes to cure. I have sold it for many years, and it gives entire satisfaction.

CHAS. H' TRIMNER.

Quakertown, N. J. May 8, 1858.

Price 25 and 50 cents. Sold by all druggists. Office, 56 Cortlandt Street, New York.

HELMBOLD'S EXTRACT BUCHU,
THE GREAT DIURETIC.
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And a positive and Specific Remedy for Diseases of the Bladder, Organic Weakness, Kidneys, Gravel, Dropsy,

And all diseases of the Urinary Organs.

See advertisement in another column. Cut it out, and send for the Medicine at once.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS.

RAIL ROAD AND MAIL SCHEDULE.

TRAINS ARRIVE AND DEPART

Baltimore Express West	arrives	7.40 A. M.,	leaves	8.00 A. M.
Philadel's " "	"	8.20 "	"	8.40 "
Fast Line " "	"	8.55 P. M.	"	10 P. M.
Mail Train " "	"	7.40 "	"	7.55 "
Express Train East	"	9.30 P. M.,	leaves	9.40 P. M.
Fast Line " "	"	1.15 A. M.,	"	1.20 A. M.
Mail Train " "	"	7.40 "	"	8.00 "
Through Accom. " "	"	11.25 "	"	11.40 "

Trains on Hollidaysburg Branch run to connect with Express Trains West, Mail Train East and West and Thro' Accommodation Train East.

Trains on Tyrone & Clearfield Branch and Bald Eagle Valley R. R. run to connect with Express Train West and Mail Train East and West.

MAILS ARRIVE.

Eastern Through,	7.40 A. M.
Eastern Way,	7.00 P. M.
Western Way,	10.15 A. M.
Western Through,	7.40 A. M.
Hollidaysburg,	7.30 A. M. & 7.00 P. M.

MAILS CLOSE.

Western Way,	7.20 A. M.
Eastern Way,	7.20 "
Western Through,	7.15 P. M.
Eastern Through,	7.15 "
Hollidaysburg,	7.30 A. M. & 6.45 P. M.

OFFICE HOURS.—During the week from 6.45 A. M. until 7.30 P. M. On Sundays from 7.30 until 8.30 A. M.

Altoona, April 20, 1863. G. W. PATTON, P. M.

MUSIC, MAGIC, AND VENTRILOQUISM

M. DE MARBELLE & TROUPE

WILL GIVE ONE

GRAND AND UNIQUE ENTERTAINMENT,

To-Morrow (Thursday) Evening,

DECEMBER 24th, AT

LOGAN HALL!!

PROGRAMME:

AUTOMATON TRICKS.
Fortune-Teller, Slack-Rope Performer, The Indian Conjuror and Greely's Baby.

MECHANICAL TRICKS.
Flying Handkerchief,
Canary-Bird Trick,
Transformation of Paper into Seven different kinds of Animals.
Change of Eggs into Turtle Doves.

MISCELLANEOUS TRICKS.
1—Cutting off a Man's Nose. 2—Knife through Arm. 3—Cap and Ball. 4—Flying Pennies. 5—Travelling Contraband. 6—Specie Payment. 7—Grandma's Snuff-Box. 8—Magic Stomach-Pump. This pump will supply enough for 1,000 persons; come and take a drink. 9—Spanish Rings. 10—Chinese Ropes. 11—Italian Fantaschine—and many others too numerous to mention.

The LADIES will be treated to CONFECTIONERY produced by Magic.

☞ DE MARBELLE is the greatest of living Ventriloquists, possessing the power (never attained before by any human being) of speaking in TWO VOICES AT THE SAME TIME! He also personates

NINE DIFFERENT INDIVIDUALS.

Interspersed through the above, will be sung the following:

Love Bewitched am I of Jenny.
The Monitor.
Marbelle's Celebrated Comic Dutch Song.

And many others, assisted by

NINE MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Go Early and Secure a Seat.

☞ DOORS OPEN AT 6½ O'CLOCK.
TO COMMENCE AT 7½ PRECISELY.

Cards of Admission, 25 Cents.

PROF. HARRY LEE, Agent.

I buy my Cigars from S. C. Postlewait, No. 5, Brant's Row.

I buy mine elsewhere.

MASONIC HALL,

ALTOONA, PA.

FOR TWO DAYS ONLY!

December 25th and 26th.

MUSEUM OF NOVELTIES!!

TOWNSEND'S

Living Wonders

Are Coming.

A SUPERB EXHIBITION!

THE FINEST OF THE KIND IN THE UNITED STATES.

FIVE LIVING CURIOSITIES!

CONSISTING OF THE

ARAB GIANT,

Eight Feet High—The largest Man in the World!

THE MONSTER FAT GIRL,

From Illinois—Only 16 years old, and weighs 400 Lbs!

THE ALBINO FAMILY,

White skin, white hair, pink eyes. Born of black Parents.

THE FAMOUS

'WHAT IS IT?'

Supposed to be a Man-Monkey!

A MONSTER SNAKE,

20 FEET LONG AND 19 INCHES THICK!

☞ This rare collection of LIVING WONDERS will exhibit in this City, at the

MASONIC HALL,

Friday & Saturday, Dec. 25 & 26.

ADMISSION 25 CENTS. CHILDREN 15 CENTS.

☞ See Pictorial and Descriptive Bills.

GEO. B. BUNNELL, Agent.

Dec. 23d, 1863.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.—The Commissioners of Blair county, will offer for sale, at the Court House in Hollidaysburg, on Monday, January 25th, A. D., 1864, the following Tracts of Unseated and Seated Lands; which tracts were legally purchased by the Commissioners at different Treasures' Sales, and have been held the time required by law and have not been redeemed by former owners within such legal limitation:

No of Acres.	*Per.*	*Warrantees Name.*	*Township.*
100		George Householder,	Allegheny.
408		Richard Noleman,	"
400		M. Lowell,	Blain.
461	7	Daniel Kladder,	Frankstown.
383		John Thompson,	Greenfield.
440		Ebenezer Branham,	"
436		John Martin,	"
440		Wm. Pierce,	"
439		Wilson Hunt,	"
438		John Taylor,	"
408		Robert Hugh,	"
237		William Bennett,	"
375		Samuel Santee,	Huston.

Given under our hands at the Commissioners Office, Hollidaysburg, Decemqer 5th, A. D., 1863.

JAMES M. KINKEAD,
DANIEL SHOCK,
GEORGE W. HEWITT, } *Comm'rs.*

Attest:
JOS. BALDRIGE, *Clerk.* [Dec. 24, 1863.—3t.

BUT ONE PRICE.

AND THAT

A CASH PRICE

FOR ALL OUR GOODS!

AS STATED AT THE OPENING of the

Union Store,

the object of the company is not to undersell other storekeepers in a few articles and make it up on others, but simply to sell every article at a certain percentage above cost, let that percentage bring the price above or below that of other stores. By selling

FOR CASH ONLY,

we are enabled to place our percentage at the very lowest figure, because we have no loss to make up.

We shall at all times keep the best quality of all articles offered for sale. Our present stock consists a of choice selection of

SUGAR, COFFEE, TEA, SYRUPS, SPICES

and everything in the grocery line.

The best brands of Flour from the Phœnix, Mount Union and other Mills.

SUGARS.

Pulverized 18 cts., White 17 cts., Yellow and Brown very fine.

Imperial and Black Teas from 85 cts., to 1.50 per lb.

COFFEE.

Williamsport Rio, Franklin Mills Rio, No paredi Rio. Excelsior, Dandelion, Essence, Browned Rye.

Spices of all kinds, Chocolate and Cocoa.

Scyracuse, Ground Allum and Dairy Salt.

Navy B spun, Flounder, Congress, Natural leaf and Solace Chewing Tobacco, also a good selection of Smoking Tobacco, and Cigars.

Franklin and Lovering's Sugar House and other Syrups, Bunch Raisons 30 cts. Seedless Raisons 25 cts., per lb. Corn Starch.

Carbon Oil 65 cts. per gallon. Candles.

SOAPS.

Rosin, German, French Castile, American Castile, Sawyer's and other Toilet Soaps.

CRACKERS.

Cream, Wine, Sugar, Butter, Soda and Water Crackers. Farina Biscuit.

WOODEN AND WILLOW WARE.

Brooms, Hand, Dust, Scrub and Shoe Brushes.

We would call special attention to our Boots and Shoes as our stock is fresh and selected with great care as to quality. MANAGERS.

Dec. 23, 1863.

The Scientific American

FOR 1864!

VOLUME X.—NEW SERIES.

The publisher of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN respectfully gives notice that the TENTH VOLUME (New Series) will commence on the first of January next. This journal was established in 1845, and is undoubtedly the most widely circulated and influential publication of the kind in the world. In commencing the new volume the publishers desires to call special attention to its claims as

A JOURNAL OF POPULAR SCIENCE.

In this respect it stands unrivalled. It not only finds its way to almost every workshop in the country, as the earnest friend of the mechanic and artisan, but it is found in the counting-room of the manufacturer and the merchant; also in the library and the household. The publishers feel warranted in saying that no other journal now published contains an equal amount of useful information; while it is their aim to present all subjects in the most popular and attractive manner.

The Scientific American is published once a week, in convenient form for binding; and each number contains sixteen pages of useful reading matter, illustrated with

NUMEROUS SPLENDID ENGRAVINGS

of all the latest and best inventions of the day. This feature of the journal is worthy of special note. Every number contains from five to ten original engravings of mechanical inventions relating to every department of the arts. These engravings are executed by artists specially employed on the paper, and are universally acknowledged to be superior to anything of the kind produced in this country.

The publishers of the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN promise to present, as during preceding years, all the latest improvements in Steam Engineering, War Vessels, Ordinance—military and naval, Fire-arms, Mechanics' Tools, Manufacturing Machinery, Farm Implements, Wood-working Machinery, Water-wheels, Pumps and other Hydraulic Apparatus, Household Utensils, Electric, Chemical and Mathematical Instruments, Flying Machines and other Curious Inventions—besides all the varied articles designed to lighten the labor of mankind, not only in the shop and warehouse, but in every place where the industries of life are proposed.

From its commencement the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN has been the earnest advocate of the rights of American Inventors and the

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In this important department, so vitally connected with all the great interests of the country, no other journal can lay any claim whatever; as in its columns there is published a weekly Official List of the "Claims" of all patents granted at the U. S. Patent Office.

THE PRACTICAL RECIPES

alone are oft-times worth more to the subscriber than the amount of a whole year's subscription.

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CLUB RATES,

Five Copies, for Six Months	$ 6
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MUNN & CO., *Publishers,*
No. 37 Park Row, New York.

Dec. 24, 1863.]

MORE COMPETITION!

A NEW DRY GOODS STORE ON VIRGINIA STREET.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY ANNOUNCE to the public that she has added to her stock of

MILLINERY GOODS,

A FULL LINE OF

☞ *DRY GOODS,* ☜

Consisting of PRINTS, DELAINES, ALPACAS, REPS, GINGHAMS, MUSLINS, ETC.

BLEACHED MUSLINS	from 23 to 45	cents	per	yard
YELLOW "	" 24 to 35	"	"	"
CALICO "	" 16 to 25	"	"	"
DELAINES "	" 30 to 35	"	"	"

And all other articles in proportion.

I have also a full assortment of GLOVES, HOSIERY, COLLARS, and NOTIONS generally.

My stock of Millinery Goods embraces everything in that line usually kept in the country.

I have marked my goods down to the lowest figure FOR CASH. Believing that my goods and prices will prove satisfactory, I invite a call from the public.

ELIZABETH McCLELLAND.

Dec. 23d, 1863-1y.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

OFFICE OF ALTOONA GAS & WATER CO., December 17th, 1863.

The BOARD OF MANAGERS have this day declared a Semi-Annual Dividend of FOUR PER CENT. on the Capital Stock of the Company, clear of State tax, payable on and after January 1st, 1864.

B. F. ROSE,
Dec. 23, 1863-4t. Treasurer.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that the following resolution was adopted at a late meeting of the Board of Managers of the Altoona Hall and Market Company:—

Resolved, That the second instalment of 10 per cent. on the stock subscribed for, be made payable on the 20th day of the present month, (May) and that the balance of the subscription be made payable in monthly instalments of 10 per cent each, on the 15th day of each succeeding month, until the whole amount is paid in.

Persons wishing to take stock in the company can still be accommodated, there being a few shares yet unsold.

Altoona, May 19th.—tf. B. F. ROSE, *Treasurer.*

ESTRAY.

CAME TO THE RESIDENCE OF the subscriber, in Logan township, near Allegheny Furnace, on or about the 15th of November, 1863, a bright Red Milch Cow, having a white star on forehead, and white belly. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take her away, otherwise she will be disposed of according to law.

Dec. 2, 1863.-3t* SAMUEL WRIGHT.

EXTRA FAMILY FLOUR, PUT UP in ½ Sacks expressly for family use at FRITCHEY'S

10 BARRELS PURE CIDER VINEGAR just received and for sale low at FRITCHEY'S.

COFFEES, SUGARS, AND SYRUPS of all grades, and at reasonable prices, for sale by FRITCHEY.

Sept. 1, 1863.

THE Early Physical Degeneracy of AMERICAN PEOPLE.

JUST PUBLISHED BY DR. A. STONE

Physician to the Troy Lung and Hygienic Institute.

A Treatise on the Causes of Early Physical decline of American People; the causes of Nervous Debility, Consumption, &c., &c.

This work is one of high moral tone, written in chaste, yet forcible language, and appeals directly to the moral sentiments of ALL PARENTS and Guardians especially, presenting scientific and reliable aids and treatment for cure.

It will be sent by mail on the receipt of two (3 cent) Stamps.

☞ Parents and Guardians! Fail not to send and obtain this book.

☞ Young men! Fail not to send and get this book. Married! You too should at once secure a copy of this book.

A Word of Solemn Conscientious Advice to those who will reflect.

A class of maladies prevail to a fearful extent in the community, dooming at least 100,000 youth of both sexes annually to an early grave. Those diseases are very imperfectly understood. Their external manifestation, or symptoms are Nervous Debility, Relaxation and Exhaustion; Marasmus or wasting and consumption of the tissues of the whole body; shortness of breathing, with hurried breathing on ascending a hill or flight of stairs; great palpitation of the Heart; Asthma, Bronchitis and sore Throat; shaking of the Hands and limbs; aversion to society and to business, or study; dimness of eye sight, loss of Memory, dizziness of the Head, Neuralgia, Pain in various parts of the body; Pains in the back or limbs, Lumbago, Dyspepsia or Indigestion, irregularity of the bowels, deranged secretions of the Kidneys and other glands of the body, as Leucorrhœa or Fleur Albus, &c. Likewise Epilepsy, Hysteria and Nervous Spasms.

Now, in ninety-nine cases out of every one hundred, all of the above named disorders, and a host of others not named, as Consumption of the Lungs and that most insidious and wily form of consumption of the Spinal Nerves, known as Tabes Dorsalis, and Tabes mesenterica, have their seat and origin in diseases of the Pelvic Viscera. Hence the want of success on the part of old school practice in treating symptoms only.

Dr. Andrew Stone, Physician to the Troy Lung and Hygienic Institution, is now engaged in treating this class of modern maladies with the most astonishing success. The treatment adopted by the Institution is new; it is based upon scientific principles, with new discovered remedies without minerals or poisons. The facilities of cure are such that patients can be cured at their homes, in any part of the country, from accurate descriptions of their case, by letter; and have the medicines sent by Mail or express. Printed interrogatories will be forwarded on application.

☞ Consumption, Catarrh and diseases of the throat cured as well at the Home of the Patients as at the Institution, by sending the Cold Medicated INHALING BALSAMIC VAPORS, with inhaler and ample directions for their use, and direct correspondence.

☞ Patients applying for interrogatives or advice must enclose return stamps, to meet attention.

☞ The attending Physician will be found at the Institution for consultation, from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m., each day, Sunday to be forenoon.

Address DR. ANDREW STONE.
Physician to the Troy Lung and Hygienic Institute, and Physician for Diseases of the Heart, Throat and Lungs, 50 Fifth Street, Troy, N. Y.

Altoona, Dec. 30th, 1862.-1y.

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OUR CATALOGUE now embraces considerably over *Four Thousand* different subjects (to which additions are continually being made) of Portraits of Eminent Americans &c., viz:

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PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS.

Of these we manufacture a great variety, ranging in price from 50 cents to $40 each.

Our ALBUMS have the reputation of being superior in beauty and durability to any others. The smaller kinds can be sent safely by mail at a postage of six cents per oz. The more expensive can be sent by express.

We also keep a large assortment of

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Our catalogue of these will be sent to any address on receipt of stamp.

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MANUFACTURERS OF PHOTOGRAPHIC MATERIALS,
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Friends or relatives of prominent military men will confer a favor by sending us their likenesses to copy. They will be kept carefully and returned uninjured.

☞ PHOTOGRAPHS MADE TO ORDER for Congregations to present to their Pastors, or for other purposes, with suitable inscriptions, &c. Aug. 18, 1863-6m.

THE UNION FOREVER!

GOOD NEWS!

GODFREY WOLF would respectfully announce to the citizens of Altoona and vicinity that he has opened a

CLOTHING STORE,

On Corner of Main and Caroline Streets,

where he will keep on hand a large stock of ready-made clothing consisting of DRESS COATS, PANTALOONS, VESTS, OVERALLS, KNIT JACKETS, &c., at Philadelphia prices.

HATS & CAPS!

I have a large and varied stock of hats and caps which it will be to the advantage of all to examine before purchasing elsewhere. Also, a fine stock of Gents' Furnishing goods, such as shirts, collars, neck-ties, handkerchiefs, suspenders, Gloves, Hosiery, &c.

Determined to sell, I have marked my goods at the very lowest figures, and feel confident that all will be satisfied with the price and quality of my stock.

Altoona, May 22, 1863.

CONFECTIONERY

THE SUBSCRIBER WOULD INFORM the citizens of Altoona and vicinity that his CONFECTIONERY, NUT and FRUIT STORE, is always supplied with the very best articles to be had, and in great variety. He has also an

OYSTER SALOON

attached to his store, in which he will serve up OYSTERS in the best style during the season.

FRESH-BAKED

BREAD, CAKES, & PIES,

always on hand, at reasonable rates.

He is at all times prepared to supply cakes, candies, &c., for pic-nics and other parties. He invites a share of public patronage, believing that he can render full satisfaction to all.

Remember, his store and saloon is on Virginia street, two doors below Pattoe's Hall. OTTO ROSSI.

Altoona, April 28, 1863-tf.

R. A. O. KERR,

ALTOONA, PA.,

AGENT for Blair, Cambria, Clearfield, Centre and Huntingdon counties, for the following lines of

TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES:

Montreal Line of Steamships.
Galway " "
Sabel & Scarles' Line of Sailing Packets.
Washington Line " "
Great Western Steamship.

Parties desiring to bring their friends from Europe, or wishing to take an excursion to that country, can secure Tickets at the same rates as are charged at the Offices of the different Lines at the starting points. ☞ Excursion Tickets for the round trip are sold at reduced rates.

Oct. 7, 1863-6m.

J. G. ADLUM,

Notary Public,

ALTOONA, BLAIR CO., PA.

Can at all times be found at the store of J. B. Hileman.

Oct. 28, 1863.

IF YOU WANT GOOD COFFEE, pure Teas, the best of Chocolate, Syrups and Sugars, go to FRITCHEY'S.

SUPERIOR CREAM CHEESE AT FRITCHEY'S.

4 BARRELS PURE WHITE LARD just received and for sale at FRITCHEY'S

FRITCHEY'S NEW STORE, corner of Caroline and Virginia Sts.

ALL STYLES CARPETING AND Oil Cloths can be found at LAUGHMAN'S.

HARDWARE.

The subscriber having taken entire charge of the Hardware and Stove and Tin Shop recently under the charge of Fries & Winters, on Virginia street, opposite Keesler's Drug Store, and having added largely to his stock is now prepared to supply anything in the Hardware and Cutlery line, such as Handsaws, Axes, Augers, Adzes, Chisels, Squares, Rules, Hammers, Planes, Hinges, Locks, Latches, Files, Knives and Forks, Spoons, &c., &c., all of which he offers on the most reasonable terms.

Persons wishing anything in the Hardware line are requested to call and examine his stock.

He has also added Oils, Paints, Carbon Oil, etc., to his stock, and will dispose of all these articles at a small advance on first cost.

He will also continue the

STOVE BUSINESS,

and will keep on hand an assortment from which any person will be able to select an article to please their fancy.

In the line of

TIN AND SHEET IRONWARE,

CEDAR and WILLOW-WARE,

he will always have a large supply, and will make to order anything that may be called for.

Job work in this line promptly attended to.

ROOFING AND SPOUTING

put up on short notice in the best style.

April 21, 1863.-tf. SAMUEL I. FRIES.

GREAT DISCOVERY!

KUNKEL'

BITTER WINE OF IRON,

FOR THE CURE OF

WEAK STOMACHS, GENERAL DEBILITY, INDIGESTION, DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM, CONSTIPATION, ACIDITY OF THE STOMACH, AND FOR ALL CASES REQUIRING A TONIC.

This wine includes the most agreeable and efficient Salt of Iron we possess; Citrate of Magnetic Oxide combined with the most energetic of Vegetable tonics, Yellow Peruvian Bark. The effect in many cases of Debility, Loss of Appetite and general prostration, of an efficient Salt of Iron, is most happy. It augments the appetite, raises the pulse, takes off muscular flabbiness, removes the palor of debility, and gives a florid vigor to the countenance.

Do you want something to strengthen you?
Do you want a good appetite?
Do you want to build up your constitution?
Do you want to feel well?
Do you want to get rid of nervousness?
Do you want energy?
Do you want to sleep well?
Do you want a brisk and vigorous feeling?

If you do, try

KUNKEL'S BITTER WINE OF IRON.

This truly valuable Tonic has been so thoroughly tested by all classes of the community, that it is now deemed indispensable as a Tonic medicine. It coats but little, purifies the blood, gives tone to the stomach, renovates the system, and prolongs life. I now only ask a trial of this valuable Tonic.

COUNTERFEITS.

BEWARE OF COUNTERFEITS.—As KUNKEL'S BITTER WINE OF IRON is the only sure and effectual remedy in the known world for the permanent cure of *Dyspepsia and Debility*, and as there are a number of imitations offered to the public, we would caution the community to purchase none but the genuine article, manufactured by S. A. KUNKEL, and which has his stamp on the top of the cork of every bottle. The very fact that others are attempting to imitate this valuable remedy, proves its worth and speaks volumes in its favor.

THE BITTER WINE OF IRON is put up in 75 cent and $1.00 bottles, and sold by all respectable Druggists throughout the country. Be particular that every bottle bears the *fac simile* of the proprietor's signature.

General Depot, No. 118 Market St., Harrisburg, Pa.

☞ For Sale by GEO. W. KESSLER, E. H. REIGART, Altoona, and by all respectable dealers everywhere.

Sept. 30, 1863—6m.*

EMPORIUM OF FASHION!!

Virginia St., Altoona, Pa.

D. W. A. BELFORD, Proprietor.

THE PROPRIETOR OF THE "EMPORIUM OF FASHION" would respectfully announce to the public that he has received a large invoice of

CLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS,

and a general assortment of

GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,

Collars, Neck-Ties, Suspenders, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, &c., &c., &c.,

exactly suited to this locality and intended for the

AUTUMN AND WINTER TRADE.

The proprietor of the Emporium invites an examination of his stock, feeling confident that his shelves present a greater variety of plain and fancy goods than can be found elsewhere in the country. An examination will convince any one of this fact.

He has also received the

LATEST FASHION,

and being a perfect "Cutter," he has no hesitancy in saying that he can make up clothing in the fashion, and in a manner that can not fail to prove satisfactory. It has passed into a proverb that

Belford's the very man that can make,
Clothes in the fashion, strong and cheap;
All that have ever tried him yet
Say that he really cant be beat.

Remember the place, Virginia street, first door above Jaggard's Hall, Altoona, Pa. [April 17, '62.

HARDWARE!

HARDWARE

CHARLES J. MANN,

DEALER IN FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC HARDWARE,
WOODEN WARE, BROOMS,
WINDOW SHADES,
DOOR MATS,
UPHOLSTERING GOODS,
SHOE FINDINGS,
COFFIN TRIMMINGS,
MOULDERS' TOOLS,
BIRD CAGES AND WIRE GOODS,
WINDOW GLASS,
PUTTY, WHITE LEAD, &C., &C.

☞ Every description of Goods in his line will be furnished at short notice, and at low rates for cash.

His remaining stock of DRY GOODS on hand will be closed out as remarkably low prices, in order to relinquish that branch of the business.

Agent for Willson's "Telegraph Fodder Cutter."

Altoona, May 29th, 1862.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESPECTfully informs the public that he will continue to keep a

BOOT & SHOE STORE,

in the room recently occupied by Roberts and Rutherford. The business heretofore carried on by them will, in the future, be in the name of JOHN H. ROBERTS.

He will keep constantly on hand a complete assortment of

Boots & Shoes,

GAITERS, SLIPPERS, &c., &c., &c.

which he will offer at fair prices and warrant to be of the best material and manufacture. Particular attention will be given to

CUSTOM WORK,

in which he warrants to give entire satisfaction, as he buys the best stock and employs none but the best workmen.

Remember the old stand, on Virginia Street, one door East of Keesler's Drug Store.

Oct. 10 1862-tf. JOHN H. ROBERTS.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.—A large and varied stock of FRESH GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS, just received, and for sale as cheap as the cheapest, at MURPHY & McPIKE'S Store, Cor. of Virginia and Caroline sts.

Altoona, June 26, 1862.

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF Jewelry, Hair and Clothes Brushes, Combs, Pocket-knives, &c., at LAUGHMAN'S

PLAIN & FANCY VESTS, of every size and style at LAUGHMAN'S.

EXCELLENT HEAVY BOOTS & SHOES just received at LAUGHMAN'S

O, YES! O, YES!!

THIS WAY! THIS WAY!

NEW

FALL AND WINTER GOODS!

J. B. HILEMAN has just received a large and well selected stock of Goods, consisting of Cloths, Plain and Fancy Cassimeres, Satinetts, Kentucky Jeans, Tweeds, Beaverteens, Blue Drilling, and all other kinds of Goods for

MEN AND BOYS' WEAR,

together with a grand and magnificent assortment of

LADIES' DRESS GOODS,

Such as Black and Fancy Silks, Challies, Berages, Brilliants, Lawns, Delaines, Chintzs, DeBeges, Crapes, Prints, Crape and Silk Shawls, Mantillas, Undersleeves and Hosiery, Bonnets and Ribbons, Collars, Handkerchiefs, Kid Gloves, Hooped Skirts, Shirting, Lace Mitts, &c., &c.

ALSO

Tickings, Checks, Bleached and Unbleached Muslins, Cotton and Linen Table Diaper, Crash, Nankeen, &c.

BOOTS AND SHOES,
HARDWARE, QUEENSWARE,
WOOD AND WILLOW WARE,
OIL CLOTHS, CARPETS, &C.

GROCERIES.

Our stock of Groceries is more extensive than ever, and consists of Rio and Java Coffee, Crushed, Loaf and N. O. Sugars; Green, T. H. and Black Teas; Molasses, Soaps, Candles, Salt, Fish, &c.

Thankful to the public for the very liberal patronage heretofore received, he hopes by strict attention to business, and an endeavor to please, to merit a continuance of the same.

☞ Call and examine his Stock, and you will be convinced that he has the best assortment and cheapest Goods in the market.

☞ Country Produce of all kinds taken in exchange for Goods at market prices.

Altoona, April 28, 1863.

EXCELSIOR

Hat & Cap Store.

THE PROPRIETOR OF THE "EXCELSIOR" HAT and CAP Store, would inform his customers, and the Public generally, that he has just returned from the city with the largest and most varied stock of goods in his line ever brought to Altoona, all of which he has now on exhibition and sale at his new store room on Virginia street, next door to Jaggard's store. His stock embraces all the latest styles of

FALL AND WINTER

HATS, CAPS,

MISSES' FLATS, &C.

His Stock of Hats and Caps are of the very best selection, of every style, color and shape, for both old and young.

All he asks is that the people call and examine his stock, and he feels confident that he can send them away rejoicing, if not in the purchase of such an article as they wanted, at the remembrance of having looked upon the handsomest stock of Hats, Caps, Flats, &c., ever exhibited in this town.

I have also on hand an entirely new stock of

Ladies' and Childrens' Hats and Flats

and a beautiful stock of

LADIES' FURS,

which I am confident cannot be surpassed in the country, all of which I will sell at the most reasonable prices. Remember the Hall of Fashion when you want anything in the line of head covering, and call on

Oct. 7, '63-tf JESSE SMITH.

DURYEA'S MAIZENA

RECEIVED TWO "PRIZE MEDALS,"

(From Juries 3 and 4) at the

International Exhibition, London, 1862,

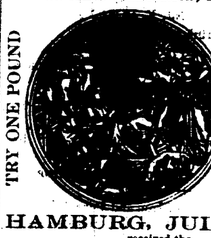
BEING THE

SOLE AWARDS

gained by anything of the kind.

It also received the Superlative Report of EXCEEDING EXCELLENT FOR FOOD.

TRY ONE POUND



MAIZENA

at the great International Exhibition at

HAMBURG, JULY, 1863,

received the

HIGHEST MEDAL

For its Great Delicacy as an Article of Food.

Used for Puddings, Cakes, Custards, Blanc Mange, &c., without Isinglass, with few or no eggs. It is also excellent for thickening sweet sauces, gravies for fish and meat, soups, &c. An Ice Cream nothing can compare with it. A little boiled in milk makes a rich cream for coffee, chocolate, tea, &c. A most delicious article of food for children and invalids. It is vastly superior to Arrow Root and much more economical.

Put up in one pound packages, with full directions, and sold by all Grocers and Druggists.

WILLIAM DURYEA, General Agent.

Sept. 9, 1863—6m. 166 Fulton Street, New York.

ESTABLISHED 1760.

PETER LORILLARD,

Snuff & Tobacco MANUFACTURER,

16 & 18, CHAMBERS ST.,

(Formerly 42 Chatham St., New York,)

would call the attention of Dealers to the articles of his manufacture, viz.:

BROWN SNUFF.

Macaboy, Demigros, Fine Rappee, Coarse Rappee, Pure Virginia, Nachitoches, American Gentlemen, Copenhagen.

YELLOW SNUFF.

Scotch, Honey Dew Scotch, High Toast Scotch, Fresh Honey Dew Scotch, Irish High Toast, or Lundyfoot, Fresh Scotch.

☞ Attention is called to the great reduction in prices of Fine-Cut Chewing and Smoking Tobaccos, which will be found of a superior quality.

TOBACCO.

SMOKING.—Long, No. 1, No. 2, Nos. 1 and 2 mixed, Granulated, S. Jago, Spanish, Canaster, Turkish.

FINE CUT CHEWING.—P. A. L., or plain, Cavendish, or Sweet, Sweet Scented Orinoco, Tin Foil Cavendish.

N. B.—A circular of prices will be sent on application. April 14, 63,-1y.

WM. S. BITTNER

Dental Surgeon.

OFFICE IN MASONIC TEMPLE, next door to the Post Office.

Dr. B. would respectfully inform the citizens of Altoona and surrounding country, that he is prepared to insert

ARTIFICIAL TEETH!

from a single tooth to a full set; in the most superior style,

ON GOLD, SILVER, OR VULCANITE BASE.

It would be to the advantage of all persons desiring artificial teeth, to call at his office before going elsewhere, if they wish cheapness, beauty or durability.

Dr. Bittner will visit Hollidaysburg and vicinity when his services are desired. [Feb. 17, 1863-tf.

ANDREW ECKEL,

DEALER IN

Tobacco, Cigars, Snuff, Pipes, &c., &c.,

Annie street, Altoona, Pa., and McKeage's Old Stand, Montgomery street, Hollidaysburg, Pa.

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT of Goods in his line constantly on hand at the lowest cash prices. [Feb. 7, 1863.

S. M. WOODKOK,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Altoona, Penn'a,

Will practice in the several Courts of Blair, Cambria and Huntingdon counties. Office on Virginia Street, 2 doors above Julia Street.

Feb. 3, 1863-tf.

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALTOONA FAIR VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION will be held on the second Thursday evening of each month, in the Council Room. M. CLABAUGH, President.

JAS. LOWTHER, Secretary. [May 15-'62]

CREAM CRACKERS! A fresh supply of these delicious crackers just received and for sale at FRITCHEY'S

DO YOU WANT A HAT OR CAP, cheap or fine?—go to LAUGHMAN'S.

FRITCHEY IS REALLY SELLING the best Brown Sugar in Altoona at 12½ cents.

R. A. O. KERR,

ALTOONA, PA.,

Agent for Blair & Huntingdon Counties.

THESE MACHINES ARE ADMITted to be the best ever offered to the public, and their superiority is satisfactorily established by the fact that in the last eight years,

OVER 1,400 MORE

of these Machines have been sold than of any other manufactured, and more medals have been awarded the proprietors by different Fairs and Institutes than to any others. The Machines are warranted to do all that is claimed for them. They are now in use in several families in Altoona, and in every case they give entire satisfaction.

The Agent refers those desiring information as the superiority of the Machines, to Col. John L. Piper, Rev. A. B. Clark, George Hawkesworth, Benj. F. Rose, and E. H. Turner, Esqrs.

The machines can be seen and examined at the store of the Agent, at Altoona.

Price of No. 1 Machine, silver plated, glass foot and new style Hemmer—$65. No. 2, ornamental bronze, glass foot and new style Hemmer—$55. No. 3, plain, with old style Hemmer—$45. March 21, 1861-tf.

UNIVERSAL CLOTHES WRINGER.

COG WHEELS! WARRANTED WITH

No. 1. Large Family Wringer	$10.00
No. 2. Medium " "	7.00
No. 2½ " "	6.00
No. 3. Small " "	5.50
No. 8 Large Hotel "	14.50
No. 18. Medium Laundry " (to run steam)	18.00
No. 22. Large " " (or hand)	30.00

All others are warranted.

No. 2 is the size generally used in private families.

ORANGE JUDD, of the "American Agriculturist," says of the

UNIVERSAL CLOTHES WRINGER

"A child can readily wring out a tubfull of clothes in a few minutes. It is in reality a CLOTHES SAVER: A TIME SAVER: and a STRENGTH SAVER! The savings of garments will alone pay a large per centage on its cost. We think the machine much more than PAYS FOR ITSELF EVERY YEAR in the saving of garments. There are several kinds, nearly alike in general construction, but we consider it important that the Wringer be fitted with Cogs, otherwise a mass of garments may clog the rollers, and the rollers open the crank-shaft slip and tear the clothes, or the rubber break loose from the shaft. Our own is one of the first make, and it is as GOOD AS NEW after nearly FOUR YEARS' CONSTANT USE."

Every Wringer with Cog Wheels is Warranted in every particular.

NO WRINGER CAN BE DURABLE WITHOUT COG-WHEELS.

A good CANVASSER wanted in every town.

☞ On receipt of the price from places where no one is selling, we will send the Wringer FREE OF EXPENSE.

For particulars and circulars address

R. C. BROWNING, 347 Broadway, N. Y.

Sep. 1—6m.

STOVES,

TIN AND SHEET-IRON WARE.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY announce to the citizens of Altoona and vicinity that he has taken the store and shop recently occupied by Fries & Winters, on *Annie street, East Altoona*, where he has on hand a large supply of STOVES *of all Patterns*, such as Cook, Parlor, Office and Shop Stoves, which he will sell at the most reasonable prices. A large supply will always be kept on hand.

TIN AND SHEET-IRON WARE, in great variety, always on hand.

ROOFING & SPOUTING

put up on short notice.

He has also attached a copper-smithing room to his establishment and will keep on hand an assortment of copper and brass kettles, &c.

All kinds of job work promptly attended to.

April 21st, 1863.-tf STEPHEN WINTERS.

C. C. SERVER & SON,

Paper, Envelope and Printers' Card

WAREHOUSE,

No. 513, MINOR TREET,

PHILADELPHIA, PA.,

HAVE CONSTANTLY ON HAND FLAT CAPS, LETTER AND NOTE.

MANILLA PAPER,

FOLIO POST,

PACKET POST,

HARDWARE, FOOLSCAP,

PRINTING PAPER, ENVELOPE

COLORED PAPER, BINDERS, TRUNK,

STRAW AND BOX BOARD, TISSUE,

SHOE, AND TEA PAPERS.

PRINTING AND MANILLA PAPER

made to order.

June 16, 1863.

H. H. HOPKINS,

ALTOONA, PA.,

LICENSED AUCTIONEER

FOR THE

17th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

MUSIC!—INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN on the Piano-Forte and Melodeon, by Mrs M. SHOEMAKER. TERMS, $10 per quarter. No charge for the use of the Instrument. Residence on Catharine Street, West Altoona. [Jan. 16, 1862.-tf.

DRIED APPLES.—The subscribers have a fine lot of bright yellow DRIED APPLES, bought at much less than market rates, and which they desire to close out, at cost and carriage, without delay.—Persons desiring to purchase, either at wholesale or retail, will find it to their advantage to give us a call.

Altoona, June 26, 1862.] MURPHY & McPIKE.

A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF Gent's Model Improved SHIRTS—Cassimere and Muslin Shirts—fine and coarse—white and colored—at LAUGHMAN'S.

PURE WHITE LEAD AND ZINC Paint, also Chrome, Green, Yellow, Paris Green, dry and ground oil at [1-tf.] KESSLER'S.

MEN AND BOYS' COATS, of every style and color, of good quality, at LAUGHMAN'S.

NEW AND IMPROVED STYLES of Trunks, Valises and Carpet-Bags, at LAUGHMAN'S

A FINE ASSORTMENT OF OVERCOATS can be found at LAUGHMAN'S

GREAT PILES OF PANTALOONS for Men and Boys, at LAUGHMAN'S

AMERICAN

Life Insurance and Trust Co.

COMPANY'S BUILDING Southeast Corner of Walnut and Fourth Streets, Philad'a

Authorized Capital,	$500,000
Paid up Capital,	250,000
Assets,	1,897,746

Incorporated 1850, by the Legislature of Pennsylvania.

Insures Lives during the Natural life or for short terms, grants annuities and endowments, and makes contracts of all kinds depending on the issues of life.

Policies of Life Insurance issued at the usual mutual rates of other good companies—with profits to the assured—last Bonus January, 1861, being 45 per cent. of all premiums received on mutual policies—at Joint Stock rates, 20 per cent less than the above, or Total Abstinence rates 40 per cent. less than Mutual price. Also, a

NON-FORFEITURE PLAN,

By which a person pays for 5, 7, or 10 years only, when the policy is paid up for Life, and nothing more to pay; and should he be unable, or wish to discontinue sooner, the Company will issue a PAID UP POLICY, in proportion to the amount of premium paid, as follows:

On a Policy of $1,000, after payment of	5 Year rates.	7 Year rates.	10 Year rates.
1 Annual Premium, for	$300 00	$142 85	$100 00
2 " " "	400 00	285 70	200 00
4 " " "	800 00	571 40	400 00
6 " " "	———	857 10	600 00
8 " " "	———	———	800 00

ALEXANDER WHILLDIN, President.
SAMUEL WORK, Vice President.
JOHN S. WILSON, Secretary.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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Any further information can be had by applying to the undersigned, who is the authorized agent for Blair County.

July 31, 1862-1y R. A. O. KERR.

A Benefit to All.

TRY ONE BOTTLE.

A trial will prove the fact, and facts are stubborn things.

MISHLER'S HERB BITTERS ARE SUCCESSFUL IN EVERY CASE. No family should be without it. Hundreds of certificates and letters of thanks are arriving every day from persons who have been cured.

THE HERB BITTERS have never failed in curing

RHEUMATISM, DYSPEPSIA.

Female Irregularities, and all Diseases arising from

IMPURITY OF THE BLOOD,

As a Blood Purifier, Tonic and General Appetiser, these Bitters are without a rival. No Lady desiring

A CLEAR COMPLEXION

should be without it. Please get a circular and certificates from our Agent.

B. MISHLER,
Manufacturer and Proprietor,
LANCASTER, PA.

NOTICE.—The great success of Mishler's Herb Bitters, has induced unprincipled parties to manufacture a worthless article, which they are selling at a low price, of which *beware*. The genuine can only be bought in Blair County, of G. W. WHITFIELD,

(Sole Agent for Blair County,)
Depot Drug Store, Main street, Altoona, Pa.

June 24, 1863-tf.

JACOB SNYDER, TAILOR,

The Hero of One Hundred Fits per Month!

I would respectfully set forth my claim to public attention, as a Fashionable Tailor, as follows:

Because I keep an excellent assortment of Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings and Trimmings, which, when examined, always please.

Because my work is made up in a manner that takes down the country and gives all my customers a city appearance.

Because I am not inferior as a Cutter to the best to be found anywhere.

Because long experience in my business gives me entire control over it, and I am not dependant upon any one to fit me out of the ends.

Because I am still on the sunny side of forty, and therefore my taste as a Cutter and workman unimpaired.

Call on me, in the corner room of the "Brant House." Give me a trial and you will go away pleased.

Altoona, May 26-5m JACOB SNYDER.

PATENT KEROSENE OR CARBON OIL LAMPS!

Unrivaled in Beauty, Simplicity Safety or Economy.

EVERY person desiring to obtain the very best and cheapest portable light within their reach, should call at the store of the undersigned and examine these Lamps before purchasing elsewhere, and we pledge ourselves to demonstrate

1st. That NO ACCIDENT can occur by explosion.
2d. That they emit no offensive odor while burning.
3d. That they are very easily trimmed.
4th. That they are easily regulated to give more or less light.
5th. That they burn entirely free from smoke.
6th. That the light is at least 50 per cent. cheaper than any other light now in common use.

These lamps are admirably adapted for the use of Students, Mechanics, Seamstresses, Factories, Halls, Churches, Stores, Hotels, and are highly recommended for family use.

The burner of the Carbon Oil Lamp can be attached to old side, hanging and table fluid and oil lamps, at a small expense, and will answer every purpose of a new lamp.

We guarantee perfect satisfaction in all cases.

Aug. 19, 1858-tf. G. W. KESSLER.

EXCHANGE HOTEL.—THE SUBSCRIBER would respectfully inform the public that he has recently refitted the above Hotel, and is now prepared to accommodate his friends and patrons in a comfortable manner, and he will spare no pains in making it as agreeable home for all sojourners. His Table will always be luxuriously supplied from the markets of the country and cities, and his Bar filled with liquors of choice brands. His charges are as reasonable as those of any other Hotel in the place, and he feels satisfied they can not be complained of by those who favor him with their custom. Expecting to receive a share of public patronage, and fully intending to deserve it, he throws open his house to the public and invites a trial.

I have just received a stock of No. 1. French Brandy, for medicinal purposes.

Also a large stock of excellent Wines, for medicinal purposes, together with a lot of the best old Rye Whiskey to be found in the country.

Altoona, May 27, 1859.-1y] JOHN BOWMAN.

SOMETHING NEW.

THE SUBSCRIBER HAS JUST returned from the east where he has purchased a very large and fine stock of

BOOTS AND SHOES,

BROGANS, GAITERS, &C.,

which he is prepared to offer to the citizens of Altoona and vicinity at very low prices. Having purchased direct from the manufacturers for cash, he is prepared to sell at prices that will defy competition. All that he asks is that the people will call and examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere.

☞ BOOTS and SHOES made to order on the most reasonable terms. Also, repairing promptly attended to.

Don't forget the place, two doors below Post Office.

Jan. 3, 1861. M. THOMPSON, *Agent.*

NATIONAL POLICE GAZETTE.—This Great Journal of Crime and Criminals is in its Twelfth Year, and is widely circulated throughout the country. It contains all the Great Trials, Criminal Cases, and appropriate Editorials on the same, together with information on Criminal Matters, not to be found in any other newspaper.

☞ Subscriptions $2 per annum; $1 for six months, to be remitted by subscribers, (who should write their names and the town, county and State where they reside plainly.)

To G. W. MATSELL & CO.
Editor & Prop'r. of New York Police Gazette,
15-tf] *New York City.*

GREAT WESTERN INSURANCE AND TRUST COMPANY.—Insurance on Real or personal property will be effected on the most reasonable terms by their agents in Altoona at his office in Anna st. March 17, 1859. JOHN SHOEMAKER, Agent.

LEVI'S PREPARATION FOR EXterminating RATS, MICE, ROACHES, ANTS, and Bed-bugs without danger in its use under any circumstances for sale at the Drug Store of G. W. KESSLER.

Jan. 24, '56-tf]

H. B. MILLER,
DENTIST.

☞ Office on Caroline street, between Virginia and Emma streets, Altoona. [Jan. 20—2m*

ALL KINDS OF PRINTING neatly and expeditiously executed at the "ALTOONA TRIBUNE" OFFICE

UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS, in endless variety, at LAUGHMAN'S.

Altoona, May 1, 1862.

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Book Bindery,

AND BLANK BOOK MANUFACTORY

No. 54 Market St., Harrisburg, Pa.

This establishments is chiefly devoted to the manufacture of Blank Books for Banks, County Offices, Railroad Companies, and private business men. Always on hand the very best of stock, which will be ruled and bound to any desired pattern. Old Books ruled and bound. Dockets of all sizes, made to order. Trial and Yearly Assessments, Delinquent, &c., for county purposes, printed or plain, ruled and bound to order. Court Dockets made of the best linen paper.

Librarians, and others, desiring to have their Books rebound and at moderate prices, should give us a call. Newspapers of the largest sizes, Harper's Weekly, Gleason's Pictorial, Balloon, Scientific American, London News, Illustrated Magazines, Knickerbocker, Blackwood's and Graham's Magazines, Godey's Lady's Book, Lady's Repository, Peterson's Magazine, Piano Music, &c., bound in extra styles, or the more plain and substantial half binding. Select Pamphlets, Law Magazines, Pamphlet laws, bound in good library style, at very moderate prices. Persons having a number of volumes to bind, will receive a liberal discount. Binding can safely be sent to us from a distance by express, and all work entrusted to our care will be speedily executed, safely packed and returned by Express. All work warranted. Address P. L. HUTTER

Harrisburg, Pa.

☞ McCRUM & DERN, at the *Tribune* Office, are agents for Altoona, and vicinity. They will give information in relation to binding, and receive and return work free from extra charges, for all who entrust their work to my care. [March 21, 1863.

ONWARD! EVER ONWARD!

STEP BY STEP!

THE UNDERSIGNED DESIRES TO inform his old customers and the public generally that he has this spring gone into the Dry Good business, and has just received a large and entirely new stock of

DRESS GOODS,

for the Ladies, embracing all the latest, prettiest and most fact that they are selling Brown Muslins at 15 to 45 cents; Calicoes from 7 cents to 45 cents per yard.

They have always on hand a large stock of

MEN AND BOYS' CLOTHING, HATS and CAPS, and, in fact, everything kept in a first class store.

Altoona Oct. 7, 1863.

GROCERIES & PROVISIONS

I will not "knock under" to any of my competitors. In this department I feel sure that I can render satisfaction. All kinds of country produce taken in exchange for goods, and the highest market price allowed.

Store on the corner of Annie and Union streets, East Altoona. THOMAS HESLOP

Altoona, May 22, 1862.

JACOB WEIS,

BAKER AND CONFECTIONER,

VIRGINIA STREET, ALTOONA, PA.,

KEEPS CONSTANTLY ON HAND BREAD, CAKES, CANDIES

ICE CREAM

AND SWEETMEATS, of his own manufacture, which is prepared to sell, wholesale or retail, at the most reasonable prices. Also, FOREIGN FRUITS, such as

ORANGES, LEMONS, PINE-APPLES, FIGS, PRUNES, RAISINS, NUTS, &C., &C. always on hand in their respective seasons.

CAKES BAKED TO ORDER.

for particular occasions, on short notice and in the neatest and best style of the art.

Call, examine and price my stock and you will find it as